Minutes of the Standing Committee December 6, 2022

Present: +Audrey Scanlan, Drew Dorgan, Eric Hillegas+, Veronica Chappell+, Gregory Welin+, Laura Gottfried-Letsche, Kevin Barron+, Kate Harrigan+, Barbara Cross, Anthony Alexander, David Luo, Jennifer Mattson+

Opening Devotions:

Greg opened the meeting by discussing St Nicholas Day, followed by a reading from John, and specifically related it to being a priest during advent, after which he read the collect for St Nicholas Day.

Discussion with Chad Linder regarding property sales and other agreement issues

#1 – Hull House – Christ Episcopal Church in Millton. After discussion, after motion from Veronica, second from Barb and subsequent vote, it was decided to hold on an official decision, pending input from the finance committee.

#2 – St Paul's Bloomsburg. Seeking to enter into an agreement between the church and American Tower for use of space. After discussion, it was asked that St Paul's send us proposed agreement, so that we could generate questions for clarification, as well as seek the advice of a real estate attorney.

Bishop Consent

After discussion the bio and personal statements, Jennifer moved, Kate seconded to pass him on, and we are to fill out the online approval forms.

Other business

Discussion of reunification exploration with Diocese of Bethlehem. Drew will be putting out application for members of the committee to do this work.

Standing Time With The Bishop:

The Bishop lit the capital Christmas tree in Harrisburg, offered the invocation and benediction, as well as spend time with Governor Wolf.

Applicants for Canon for Youth and Families are being winnowed down, and interviews will be starting shortly.

Angel Scarborough will be appointed Diocesan Litergist, upon Gene Tucker's retirement.

Issued a pastoral letter regarding gun violence, and it is generating replies.

Glenn has upcoming knee surgery, and has had cortisone injection in the shoulder, which is helping.

Closing

Greg closed the meeting with prayer.

Next Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2023