

**Minutes of the Standing Committee  
February 7, 2023**

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

Absent: Barbara Cross, David Luo,

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**Opening Devotions:**

Anthony opened the meeting, in honor of Black History Month, with a reading from Danielle Bernard, Black Gold, discussing Paul's letter to the Corinthians. Anthony finished the opening with prayer.

Discussion of prior property issues in Bloomsburg and Milton, and confirmation of electronic vote.

Drew reported on the Reunification Exploration Committee retreat, including areas of committee work, such as children and youth, social justice, and others, and how they work in each diocese. All teams to do their own work, and meet monthly to discuss and inform one another on progress.

**Standing Time With The Bishop:**

IFP web based tool developed with COM, to allow postulants greater ability to report on all areas of their formation. To be filled out twice a year, as a way to level the playing field between traditional seminary and other avenues of education. This is to be used for both current and future postulants, and will be added to portfolios to grow with their progress.

LOA signed with Micalagh Moritz as Canon for Children, Youth and Families, beginning in February.

Discussion of Bishop's sabbatical, and updates surrounding visitations, and pastoral care for clergy.

Information regarding Bishops of Pa gathering, and Audrey's presentation of initiative regarding gun violence. 4 out of 5 have signed on to address gun violence as a priority.

Jen Trenary's ordination date is Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Audrey approached by Fairness WV, asking her to become a board member.

Drew discussed new process for consent of Bishops, in the future.

**Closing**

Anthony closed the meeting with prayer.

**Next Meeting**, Tuesday, March 7, 2023