

**HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING
October 28, 2020**

Present were: Rev. Richard Hogue, Karen Sanchez, Brian Petersen, Katie Ho, Marcie Stafford, Larry Sebastian, Dennis Baggett was absent. Dave Dana was Clerk.

Karen Sanchez called the meeting to order by ZOOM at 6:44.

Brian Petersen led a prayer. Brian reported on the experiences people shared during the last Forum of the difficulties of connecting during the Covid-19 pandemic. BC discussed challenges and experiences during this time.

By motion, duly made, seconded and approved, Mike Collier was chosen to fill the two year remaining term of Bob Meloon. Mike then joined the meeting.

By Motion duly made, seconded, and approved, the Minutes of September 16, 2020 and the Consent Agenda were approved.

Treasurer's report:

Pledge Offerings for the month were at the lowest level for the year at \$7,693 which took year-to-date Pledge Offerings under Budget for the first time this year. The \$22,000 recorded as Other Income was the receipt of a COVID Grant from the Diocese Based on the Holy Cross Request for Assistance.

Operating Expenses for both Clergy and Admin and Facilities remain under Budget for the month and year-to-date. Net Income for the month at \$5,673 was driven by the COVID Grant increasing year-to-date Net Income to \$22,405.

Business:

Karen reported on continuing talks with Green Properties about the facilities lease, the costs of staying or leaving, and trying to get another tenant. Rev. Richard said he will try to hold services in cars in the parking lot. He was excited to meet new parishioners and was testing the new video system. He expected in-car services to last half an hour, and ushers would be present.

Mike reported that the up-coming Diocesan Convention would consider three resolutions, the full text were shown on the Zoom screen:

20-01: To bring more flexibility to the Diocese to deal with extraordinary circumstances.

20-02: To create a Diocesan Historiographer, and to set the contribution to the Diocesan convention fund at 10.5 percent.

20-03: To create solar panels for churches to save electricity costs.

On Motion duly, made seconded and approved, the Bishop's Committee supports the three resolutions.

Karen and Richard+ shared discussion about potential opportunities as a small parish for sharing resources with other congregations such as a webmaster, music, etc., She also reminded the BC about the November 21st Retreat with Donald Romanik, president of the Episcopal Church Foundation.

The BC entered executive session at 7:47 PM and discussed the draft 2021 budget.

The meeting ended at 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Dana, Clerk