

PROVINCE V
Business Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 1, 2006

The Rt. Rev. Wendell Gibbs, President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. with an opening prayer.

Teresa Sasinowski, Treasurer, presented the financial report. An audit was completed on March 8, 2006. The Province is financially healthy adding \$20,000 last year due to stringent financial restraint. She referred everyone to the Financial Report booklet (see attached) pp.11-18 for the Accounting Policies, Guidelines and Practices effective 2006 with 2005 as Transition Period. There are now Program Budget Planning sheets on pp.20-23. The 2006 Projected Budget is on p.26. Sally Pedersen, Diocese of Indianapolis, requested that the budget be presented in a slightly different format to include prior triennium projected, actual income and expenditures, and coming triennium projected. That will be considered. The Bishop of Milwaukee, _____, moved and Bill Boli, Diocese of Eastern Michigan, seconded that the budget be accepted. Motion Passed.

Bonnie Andersen, Vice President of House of Deputies, Diocese of Michigan, presented By-Laws changes. Changes would be: P.2 Article IV Section 1, **adding** "Representatives must be canonically and physically resident in the Province." Motion to accept made by Peter Ross, Diocese of Michigan and seconded by The Rev. Heather Rossman, Diocese of Southern Ohio. Motion passed. P.3 Article V Section 1 **omit** "and invited". Motion to accept made by John Boss, Diocese of Southern Ohio, and seconded by Pam Chapman, Diocese of Eastern Michigan. Bonnie explained that this impacted the 13 Program chairs and the 2 representatives to Executive Council. This was done because of the change to only one meeting each triennium. Motion Passed.

The Rt. Rev. _____ Little, Diocese of Northern Indiana chaired the nominating committee for election of Provincial Synod officers, Clergy representative to the Executive Council, and Provincial Court of Review. 2 tellers were appointed. The slate was presented.

President – The Rt. Rev. Wendell Gibbs, Diocese of Michigan. There was a further nomination from the floor. The Rt. Rev. Keith Whitmore, Diocese of _____ was nominated by the Rt. Rev. Russell Jacobus, Diocese of _____, and seconded by Connie Ott, Diocese of Northern Indiana. It was moved and seconded that the nomination be closed. Passed.

Vice President – Joyce Fletcher Menard, Diocese of Northern Michigan. It was moved and seconded that the nomination be closed. Passed.

Secretary – Charlotte Strowhorn, Diocese of Northern Indiana. It was Moved and seconded the nomination be closed. Passed.

Treasurer – Timothy Wittlinger, Diocese of Michigan. It was moved and seconded the nominations be closed. Passed.

Clergy Representative to the Executive Council

The Rev. Patrick P. Augustine, Diocese of Eau Claire

The Rev. Elizabeth M. Downie, Diocese of Eastern Michigan

The Rev. Gay Jennings, Diocese of Ohio

The Rev. Marion Luckey, Diocese of Northern Michigan

The Rev. Richard Winters, Diocese of Indianapolis

Provincial Court of Review – I Bishop, 3 Clergy and 3 Laity who are learned in the law. The Rt. Rev. Robert Gepert, Diocese of Western Michigan. It was moved and seconded the nomination be closed. Passed.

The Rev. Robert E. Brody, Diocese of Springfield

The Rev. Wayne H. Carlson, Diocese of Chicago

The Rev. Robert A. Dedmon, Diocese of Quincy. It was moved and seconded the nomination be closed. Passed.

Ms. Hillary Mason King, Diocese of Ohio

Mr. George Plews, Diocese of Indianapolis

Mr. Arthur A. Vogul, Jr., Diocese of Milwaukee. It was moved and seconded the nomination be closed. Passed.

Bishop Gibb requested Province Representatives vote on a paper ballot for President, and Clergy Representative to the Executive Council. The remainder of the ballot passed by acclamation. He also requested a special ballot for Lay Representative to Executive Council should Bonnie Anderson, Diocese of Michigan, be elected President of the House of Deputies. Balloting would be done via e-mail following General Convention.

All persons running for a position at General Convention were asked to please stand, introduce themselves and state what they were running for.

The Rev. Gay Jennings, Diocese of Ohio – Vice President of the House of Deputies.

The Rev. Ken Price, Diocese of Southern Ohio – General Seminary Trustee

Ms. Bonnie Anderson, Diocese of Michigan – President of the House of Deputies

Mr. Scott Evenbeck, Diocese of Indianapolis – General Seminary Board

Ms. Katherine Tyler-Scott, Diocese of Indianapolis – Church Pension Fund

The Very Rev. George Warner, President of the House of Deputies, was introduced. He will be speaking later.

Results of the election were announced; For President, The Rt. Rev. Wendell Gibbs, and Clergy Representative to the Executive Council, The Rev. Gay Jennings.

Bishop Gibb asked for a round of applause for all unit chairs. The Rev. Marian Luckey was introduced as Acting Coordinator for the Province. He asked that we remember Patricia Simpson Turner, the coordinator, who passed away last year. After her death there was difficulty gathering the information Pat had in her possession. With the help of

Rev. Luckey information has been finally put in order. She will be eligible for consideration as the coordinator. Rev. Luckey may be reached at **p5coordinator.net**

In further announcements, Bishop Gibb requested that the Province make better use of the website. One can go the Episcopal Church website, click on Provinces and click on Province V. He recommended book marking it. There is a calendar that one can use to schedule activities so that schedule conflicts can be avoided. Please post activities from the Dioceses. The Province is going to try and become more regular in sending out **The Angelos**. David Skidmore, Diocese of Chicago, is now the head of communications.

Bishop Gibb requested that the gathering dispense with the reading of the minutes. The motion was moved, seconded and passed.

There was a question as to whether provincial dinners can be reinstated. That will be looked into. Bishop Gibb reminded everyone Provincial T shirts were available for sale. Province T shirt day is Monday, June 19th at General Convention.

It was moved by _____ Simpson, Diocese of Michigan to have the minutes of May 1, 2006, approved by Province Executive Council. Seconded and carried.

There being no further business it was moved, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
Sally Pedersen, Diocese of Indianapolis
Acting Secretary