

Standing Committee Minutes
19 July, 2018
Called to order: 12:03

Present: Charlotte Weaver-Gelzer; John Stevenson, Patrick Pierce+, Anthony Alexander; Jim Strader-Sasser+, Barbara Hutchinson+, Kate Harrigan+, Drew Dorgan, Sarah L. Weedon+, Amy Sweirnik; Charlotte Weaver-Gelzer; +Audrey Scanlon.
Excused: John Harwood+

Anthony opened with prayer and a short meditation by Howard Thurman on 2 Corinthians 4.

Consideration of Bishops-elect

- Carlye Hughes, Diocese of Newark. John made the motion. Patrick Seconded. All were in favor.
- Mark A. Cowell, Diocese of Western Kansas: Anthony made the motion. John Seconded. There was discussion about his serving both as a parish priest and bishop. All were in favor.

Nicolette Norris

- Nicolette has been put forward as the replacement for Sarah A Weedon. Barbara made the motion. Sarah seconded. All voted in favor.

John Harwood will be asked to update the contact list.

Interviews with Candidates

Shayna Watson

- Barbara opened the conversation with the prepared question about her call to cross the gulf between the Church of God in Christ and The Episcopal Church.
- Additional question: What do you think you need to explore during this time after ordination to your transitional diaconate? What support, experiences might be helpful to you to prepare you for the priesthood?
 - Mentorship
 - Explore pastoral theology and liturgy
- Anthony made the motion to accept her for ordination to the transitional diaconate and Patrick seconded. The vote was in favor with one abstention because of a lack of personal access to the information about her.

Eric Henry

- Anthony opened the conversation with a prepared question about his leadership methods and what he has observed about people who were learning from him that teaches him how to lead in ministry.
- Sarah made the motion that he be accepted for ordination to the diaconate. Charlotte seconded. All voted in favor.

Jim Robertson

- Has been received as a transitional deacon by +Audrey.
- This is an opportunity for us to get to know Jim.
- He has been visiting many churches in the area.
- Barbara opened the conversation and asked him to tell us about himself. He shared what he has been doing in visiting different churches and his experiences there.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34

Respectfully submitted
The Rev. Canon Kate Harrigan
For The Rev. John Harwood