

**115<sup>th</sup> Convention of the Episcopal Church in Utah  
Report of the Standing Committee**

**Members**

Ms. Nancy Tanner, President	The Rt. Rev. Scott B. Hayashi, ex officio
The Rev. Lyn Briggs, Vice President	The Rev. The Hon. David Sakrison, Secretary to Convention, ex officio
Mr. Kurt Cook, Secretary	Canon Stephen F. Hutchinson, Esq. (Canonical Advisor), ex officio
The Rev. Garang Gabriel Atem	Ms. Angela Rogers, Assistant Secretary
The Rev. Isabel Gonzalez	
Ms. debi Kuwada	

**Mandate (from Canon 21)**

The Standing Committee shall act as the Bishop's council of advice; and when there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the ecclesiastical authority.

It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to give consent for the ordination and consecration of bishops in other dioceses.

It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to give consent for ordinations within the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee, acting with the consent of the Bishop, unless there is no Bishop, to give consent for the encumbrance or alienation of all real property held or managed by the Diocese, Congregations, Institutions or the Corporation.

The elected members of the Standing Committee shall serve as members of the Board of Trustees of the Corporation of the Episcopal Church in Utah.

The Standing Committee shall report to the Council the anticipated distribution from the perpetual trust for the budget of the Diocese for the next year and report the same to the Convention.

The Standing Committee shall perform such other work as it may be directed to do by the Convention or the Bishop.

**Action Items**

The Standing Committee meets monthly to carry out its canonical responsibilities. We receive and discuss reports from the Chancellor and the Bishop and serve as the Bishop's Council of Advice.

**Action Items include:**

Ms. Nancy Tanner called the organizing meeting of the Standing Committee to order at 10:15 a.m., at the Cathedral Church of St. Mark, Salt Lake City, Utah. A quorum was present.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers and to set the date for the next meeting.

Elected President: Ms. Nancy Tanner  
Elected Vice-President: Rev. Mary Janda  
Elected Secretary: The Rev. Lyn Briggs

With Rev. Janda's resignation in December 2019, Rev. Briggs was elected to Vice-President, Kurt Cook, elected Secretary, and Rev Isabel Gonzalez elected to fill 6 month term.

- Approved the Housing Allowance Resolution for The Rev. Terri Heyduk

- Consented to the election of The Rev. Dr. Jonathan H. Folts, Diocese of South Dakota
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Dr. Shannon MacVean-Brown, Diocese of Vermont
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Cn. Lucinda Ashby, Diocese of El Camino Real
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Dr. Bonnie A. Perry, Diocese of Michigan
- Recommended Ms. Alison Desiderio Peterson as Candidate for Holy Orders
- Recommended Deacon Brian Rallison for Ordination to the Priesthood
- Recommended Deacon Elizabeth Ann Brooks Harden for Ordination to the Priesthood
- Approved the Housing Allowance Resolution for The Rev. Connie Gordon
- Consented to the Ordination of The Rev. Martha Stebbins, Bishop of the Diocese of Montana
- Approved the amended 2019 Constitution and Canons
- Approved to use the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project Funds to cover the costs of sending up to 40 lay people to the Rooted in Jesus Conference
- Consented to the Election of The Rev. Dr. Lennon Yuan-Rung, Diocese of Taiwan
- Approved the Resolution to combine the congregations of The Episcopal Church of St. Francis and San Francisco
- Consented to approve additional lay people to attend the Rooted in Jesus Conference with a cap of \$100,500
- Approved the distribution from the Perpetual Trust for the 2020 Diocesan budget of \$3,355,294
- Approved the amended 2019 Diocesan Convention Journal for publication
- Approved the Policy on Use of Proceeds from the Sale of Surplus Property
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Susan B. Haynes, Diocese of Southern Virginia
- Appointed The Rev. Isabel Gonzalez to replace The Rev. Mary Janda on the Committee
- Approved to engage a consultant for the 2021 Bishop Search
- Conducted the election convocation for the Bishop Search Nominating Committee
- Organized the Organizing & Training Retreat for Search Nominating & Standing Committee
- Appointed members to the Search Transition Committee
- Consented to the election of The Rt. Rev. Mark Allen Koevering, Diocese of Lexington
- Approved the Housing Allowance Resolutions for the Clergy of the Diocese of Utah for 2020
- The Rev. Lynn Briggs was elected Vice President and Mr. Kurt Cook was elected Secretary due to the resignation of The Rev. Mary Janda
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Cn. Frank S. Logue, Diocese of Georgia
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Deon Kevin Johnson, Diocese of Missouri
- Recommended Ms. Alison Desiderio Peterson to the Ordination to the Diaconate
- Approved the Resolution to combine the congregations of St. Stephen's and San Esteban
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Poulsen C. Reed, Diocese of Oklahoma
- Consented to the election of The Very Rev. Craig Loya, Diocese of Minnesota
- Approved the Resolution to form a Diocesan Property Committee
- Consented to the election of The Rev. Dr. Glenda S. Curry, Diocese of Alabama
- Approved to adjust the Search process date by 2-3 months due to Covid-19
- Recommended Ms. Suzanne Miller as Candidate for Holy Orders
- Continue to affirm and support the Pastoral Care Center of St. Mark's Hospital
- 9 Congregational visits combined with Standing Committee and Diocesan Council members were performed throughout 2019 and part of 2020
- Approved the bishop search timeline adjustment by approximately 9 months due to ongoing Covid-19 concerns.

**The Mission Strategy of the Diocese**

As the stewards of the legal framework of the diocese, we provide a structural support of God's mission in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Nancy Tanner  
Standing Committee President