

**Diocese of Milwaukee
Executive Council Minutes
Special Session
December 9, 2020 6:00 p.m. via ZOOM**

Roll Call was taken.

Present: The Rev. Joel Prather, Vice-President of the Executive Council; Ms. D'Arcy Becker; the Rev. Steve Capitelli; the Rev. Kevin Huddleston, Canon for Finance and Administration; Mr. Peter Larson; the Rev. Scott Seefeldt; Mr. John Vogel and Mr. John Washbush and Mr. Mike Weber, Diocesan Treasurer

Others present: Ms. Tammy Prather, rep. of Standing Committee
Mr. Mark Ehrmann, Esq., chancellor

New Executive Council Members:
Mr. John Johnson
The Rev. Pippa Lindwright
Ms. Janice Pauc

Absent: The Rt. Rev. Steven A. Miller; Ms. Joann Faull; Mr. Ron Johnson; the Rev. Pedro Lara; the Rev. Scott Leannah, President of the Standing Committee; the Rev. Debra Trakel, Canon Peggy Bean, Canon for Congregations and the ex-officio members (attendance is optional): Ms. Jill Heller, Executive Director of Trustees of Funds & Endowments and the Rev. Ian Burch, President of Commission on Ministry

The Rev. Joel Prather opened with prayer and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. He clarified that it was a "one item only" meeting to fulfill item three (3) of the Resolution from the recent Diocesan Convention:

*Resolved: That the 173rd Convention of the Diocese of Milwaukee: 1) approves the creation of the position of Assisting Bishop for the Diocese of Milwaukee, effective January 1st, 2021; 2) authorizes the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Milwaukee to develop a Letter of Agreement including a description of the position and the qualifications of candidates for appointment; 3) authorizes the Standing Committee to appoint a Bishop for the position, **subject to the concurrence of the Executive Council of the Diocese of Milwaukee.***

Discussion further clarified that:

- all three (3) letters of agreement were for Assisting Bishops with the status of the Right Reverend Jeffrey Lee changing with his election to Provisional Bishop
- none of the three (3) bishops were seeking or receiving housing allowance
- the resolution may include all three (3) letters of agreement

*******The Rev. Kevin Huddleston moved and the Rev. Scott Seefeldt seconded that the Executive Council concurs the Standing Committees appointment of three (3) Assisting Bishops as reflected in the three (3) letters of agreement. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Margaret (Marge) M. Kiss
Executive Secretary & Recorder of the Minutes

Appendix I

2021 Meeting Dates -- Executive Council Tuesday at 6:30p.m. via
ZOOM

Tentative meeting dates.

January 5th - 2021 Orientation

February 2nd

March 2nd

no April meeting / Holy Week

May 4th

June 1st

no July meeting

August 3rd

September 14th (pushed back for Labor Day)

no October meeting / Convention

November 2nd

no December meeting

Appendix II

2020 Norms for Executive Council Meetings

Begin with prayer

Start and end on time

Receive and Review material one week ahead of time of meeting

Respectful communication

Assume good/best intentions

Seek to model reconciliation

Look for the best in others

Give the best we have

Gentleness first

Recuse oneself, leave the room and abstain from matters in which one has a conflict of interest

Respect the “confidential nature” of the discussion (Identify if confidential)

All responsible for the process at the table; Pay attention/Be actively engaged

All members of Executive Council are authorized to raise their hand, to call for a pause in the process, and to ask for a moment of prayer from the Bishop

We are always The Church.