

## 20260513 Standing Committee Minutes DRAFT

Present: Chuck Theobald, President; Chris Ditzenberger+, Vice President; Karla Schapansky, Recording Secretary, Nancy Jones, Treasurer; Michelle Danson+, Chaplain; Matthew Frey+, Kate Dykstra, Deacon Linda Brown, Donna Colville, Wren Blessing+, Canon Lucy Amerman+, Bishop Kym Lucas+, Chip Page, Melissa Adzima+, Canon Greg Foraker+, Canon Mike Orr

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Michelle led Morning Prayer.

The agenda and the minutes of April 22 were approved by consent agenda.

Canon Vanessa Stickler Glass made a presentation on the process for clergy transitions and searches for the Diocese.

Nancy gave the Treasurer's report. The Q1 financials ('26) for Cathedral Ridge are the best since she's been their treasurer. A more feasible Property Insurance carrier continues to be researched. Three Board members were approved. The motion was made by Matthew and seconded by Chris. They were approved unanimously.

The Yates property is still scheduled for closing in July.

St. Brigit's Board member and By-Law update were approved.

Bal Patterson, Regional Missioner, for the Front Range, gave a property update on Our Merciful Savior, Denver and St. James, Lake City. There is an Episcopal presence of people at Our Merciful Savior and the neighborhood and surrounding parishes are helping with a clean-up of the grounds. The bishop is optimistic that services can resume there at some time in the near future. The Hinsdale County Historical Society is monitoring St. James church and grounds in Lake City.

The bishop reported a likely reorganization of the board that oversees the Diocese's properties. Lucy and the Bishop will meet to consider this.

The bishop reported a very successful Clergy Retreat earlier in the month. The proposed Episcopal Youth Event for Provinces six and seven has been canceled. This youth gathering is now called Quest for the Diocese of Colorado.

The bishop will begin her summer tour to various regions across the Diocese in June.

The committee approved a motion for St. George, Leadville's request for a permanent easement. The motion was made by Kate and seconded by Chris. The motion carried unanimously.

A template for Lease Agreements by the various parish churches and missions was approved as amended. A copy of all of these will be sent to the Office of the Bishop. The motion was made by Linda and seconded by Donna. The motion was approved unanimously.

The dates for Standing Committee Retreats in 2027 were discussed. It was also discussed that incoming members of the Standing Committee might be invited prior to their official election at Diocesan Convention to meet the committee and gain an orientation. The scheduling of the retreats will be looked at as well; to encourage more interest in becoming a member of the committee for young people and people employed.

Michelle closed the meeting with reflection questions for the committee to consider their role in the meeting.

Linda closed the meeting with prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Schapansky,  
Recording Secretary