

R-1 Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina, as an active expression of its continued engagement with and membership in global Anglicanism, formally commit itself to membership in the Global Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans (GFCA) by affirming the Jerusalem Declaration (attached below) and,

Be it further resolved that this 223rd Annual Convention likewise encourages the congregations and parishioners of the Diocese to commit to their own membership.

R-2 Discernment of Provincial Affiliation

Jointly presented by Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Be it resolved that the Bishop be asked to appoint a joint committee, to include members of the Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, whose task is to design and initiate a process whose goal will be to enable the Diocese and this Convention, along with their parishes, to discern among the options available for provincial affiliation, and in Convention, decide our means of affiliation and,

Be it further resolved that this committee shall be organized to begin its work by Pentecost 2014 and,

Be it finally resolved that the committee shall report its progress to the regular meetings of the Diocesan Council and Standing Committee, with a final report to be presented at the next gathering of the Diocesan Convention.

Resolution R-3 Response to Offer of Provisional Primatial Oversight

Offered by: The Anglican Communion Development Committee

Recognizing the generosity of spirit and the faithful concern for the Anglican Communion represented by the Global South Primates Steering Committee in offering a means for bodies such as the Diocese of South Carolina to have a formal ecclesiastical connection to the larger Communion and the consequent pastoral relationship,

Be it resolved that the Diocese of South Carolina accept the offer of the newly created Global South Primatial Oversight Council for pastoral oversight of our ministry as a diocese during the temporary period of our discernment of our final provincial affiliation and that the Ecclesiastical Authority implement this new relationship as in its Godly judgment it sees fit,

Be it further resolved that in this period of fluidity in the Anglican Communion we reserve the right to revisit this decision, as a convention, should it be necessary during this temporary discernment period, however long it may last.

Resolution R-4 Resolution for the Removal of Congregations No Longer in Communion with this Diocese

Offered by: The Rev. Canon Jim Lewis

In keeping with the provisions established by the addition of Canon V, Section 5b of the canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina, and in response to the certification and recommendation of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese that the following congregations have departed the communion of this Diocese,

Hereby be it resolved that the following named former missions and parishes of this Diocese be removed from the rolls of those congregations in union with this Diocese and its Convention.

Holy Communion, Allendale
Heavenly Rest, Estill
All Saints, Hampton
All Saints, Hilton Head
Calvary, Charleston
Holy Communion, Charleston
Grace, Charleston
St. Mark's, Charleston
St. Stephen's, Charleston
St. James, McClellanville
St. Thomas, N. Charleston

Epiphany, Summerville
St. George's, Summerville
Good Shepherd, Sumter
St. Augustine's, Wedgefield
St. Stephen's, N. Myrtle Beach
Holy Cross Faith Memorial, P.I.
Christ Church, Denmark
St. Philip's, Denmark
St. Alban's, Kingstree
St. Stephen's, St. Stephen's

Resolution R-5 Creation of a Convention Committee to Review The Constitution & Canons of the Diocese

Offered by: The Resolutions and Constitution & Canons Committees

WHEREAS the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese are in need of review and possible amendment at this time in our history;

WHEREAS such a review needs to consider revisions or additions in the context of their relationship to the whole of the Diocese canonical governance;

WHEREAS proposed amendment C-3 should be withdrawn so that its intent may be included in a comprehensive revision of the Constitution & Canons;

NOW, THEREFORE it is resolved that C-3 be withdrawn from consideration by this Convention and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Convention appoint the following persons to be members of a committee to consider and recommend changes to the Constitution & Canons and to present any proposed revisions or additions first to the Standing

Committee and Diocesan Council no later than December 1, 2014 and second, to the Convention of the Diocese for consideration at its next meeting in 2015:

The Very Rev. Paul Fuener
Mrs. Karen Kusko
The Rev. Canon Jim Lewis
Mr. Wade Logan

The Rev. Canon Mike Malone
The Rev. Andrew O'Dell
Mr. Alan Runyan
Mrs. Suzanne Schwank

C-1 Regarding Clergy of the Diocese

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the following addition be made to the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina:

Canon I - Of the Clergy

Section 3 - Canonical residence in the Diocese shall be established by Letters Dimissory, provided by a bishop in recognized succession, and received by the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Diocese, or by ordination within this Diocese. No rector or clergy associate may be called to serve in a congregation of this Diocese without the express prior approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

Section 4 - The ordination process in the Diocese shall be under the direction of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, working with the advice and consent of the Commission on Ministry and Standing Committee, as detailed in the Diocesan Customary for the selection and ordination of priests and deacons.

Section 5 - Any clergy wishing to serve in the Diocese, but who have not become canonically resident, may apply to the Ecclesiastical Authority for licensing at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority, for a period of one year, to be renewable annually upon request and receipt of a report of ministry during that time.

Section 6 - Clergy may be removed from the rolls of the licensed or canonically resident clergy, by the Ecclesiastical Authority, as follows:

- a. As provided for in the Disciplinary Canons of the Diocese (Title III).
- b. By reason of a requested transfer of canonical residence by Letters Dimissory.
- c. When clergy have departed from this Diocese, if the departure has been without an express request for Letters Dimissory in order to effect such a transfer of canonical residence.

C-2 Of Parish Membership

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the following addition be made to the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina:

Canon VI - Of Annual Parish Meetings

Section 1a - A “Member” is an individual who has requested that their baptism be recorded in the parish register, either by a transfer of membership or baptism in the parish. Membership shall be in only one congregation.

Section 2a – A “Confirmed Member” is one who has received the sacramental rite of Confirmation by a bishop in recognized succession, and has transferred such membership into the congregation or been received as such.

Section 2b – A “Communicant in good standing” is one who has been regular in worship and who works, gives and prays regularly for the spread of God's Kingdom.

Section 2c - Parish bylaws may further define these minimum canonical expectations for membership.

C-3 Authority of the Rector

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

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C-4 Removal of Congregations from Union with Convention

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the following addition be made to the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina:

Canon V - Of Dormant Parishes and Missions

Section 5 – A Diocesan Convention may vote by simple majority, to remove a parish or mission from union with the Diocese at the recommendation of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, if the parish or mission has communicated that it has withdrawn its membership or has demonstrated that it has withdrawn from this Diocese by its failure to attend convention, to contribute to the Diocesan Budget and to participate in the joint ministry of the Diocese.

C-5 Of Worship in the Diocese

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the following addition be made to the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina:

Canon XXXVII - Of Definitions

Worship in the Diocese of South Carolina shall be those liturgies as described by the 1979 Book of Common Prayer, the 1928 Book of Common Prayer and the 2003 Book of Occasional Services. All other liturgies shall require the express approval by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

C-6 Of Lay Pensions in the Diocese

Offered by: The Diocesan Council and the Standing Committee

Resolved that the following addition be made to the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina:

Canon XVII -Of the Pension Fund

Section 1.

(1) All Parishes, Missions, and other ecclesiastical organizations or bodies of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina shall provide all lay employees who work a minimum of 1,000 hours annually, retirement benefits through participation in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina 403(b) Retirement Plan. Such participation shall commence no later than January 1, 2013.

- a. The employer contribution to the plan shall be 5% of the employee's salary and the employer shall match employee contributions up to another 5%.
- b. Lay employees must have a minimum of one year of continuous employment before becoming eligible to participate.
- c. The committee members of the Volunteer Employee Benefits Association (VEBA) Trust shall have the authority to review and revise the plan guidelines as needed and to make appropriate recommendations for changes.