

**Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of California
Meeting July 5, 2011**

1:00 p.m. David Ota called the meeting to order.

Present: David Ota, Nina Pickerrell, Peggy Greene, Chris Butler, Sue Thompson, Mary Vargas, Ron Johnson, and Bruce Smith

Mary Vargas opened our meeting with a prayer.

Bruce Smith was appointed secretary for the meeting
MSCU (Mary/everyone) that Bruce Smith be appointed secretary for the September and October Standing Committee meetings.

1:03 p.m. Personal check in time

Mr. Eric Metoyer was interviewed for candidacy for the priesthood

- **MSCU** (Nina/Ron) that we approve Eric Metoyer for candidacy to the priesthood

Mr. Greg Brown was interviewed for candidacy for the priesthood

- **MSCU** (Ron/Peggy) that we approve Greg Brown for candidacy to the priesthood

2:45 p.m. Bishop Andrus, Christopher Hayes and Jim Forsyth joined the meeting

- The focus of our discussion was on anomalous parishes and developing a process for how to handle the proceeds of sales from Mission congregations. David gave background and presented two documents – 1) process for dealing with troubled congregations 2) process for dealing with proceeds of sales of properties of Mission congregations. The Bishop said, at the urging of David, he is looking at a Diocesan wide meeting on September 10 at St. John's Oakland to bring this to the attention of the Diocese. Apparently clergy with congregations and the leadership of those congregations would be invited.
- The result of our discussion was the formation of a committee that will meet to work on crafting an outline and documents for the September 10 meeting - "The Subcommittee/Working Group for the September 10th Meeting" *
(Note this meeting has been changed to a webinar on September 13th at 7:00 p.m.)
 - Members include: Mary (chair), Sue, Peggy, Bruce, Christopher H. and Sean M. The meeting will be Thursday, July 28th at 1:30 p.m. at Sei Ko Kai Christ Church.
- The Bishop talked about the sale of the vicarage at St. Andrew's San Bruno.

- In David's document # 2 (proceeds of sales) – the word “may” should be inserted in point #2 after the word Options – it should, therefore, read “Options may include:”

4:47 p.m. The Bishop, Christopher Hayes and Jim Forsyth left the meeting.

Break

4:49 p.m. Nina was excused lead Evensong.

5:00 p.m. we reconvened

MSCU (Peggy/Sue) the minutes of the June 7, 2011 meeting were approved.

Due to the resignation of our secretary earlier this year the minutes for the last few months had not been posted. Bruce will get in touch with Sean to get this taken care of.

Liaison Reports were given:

- **MSCU** (Peggy/Sue) that a scholarship in the amount of \$5,700 be granted to a Postulant for Holy Orders from the Montegal CDSP Fund

5:46 p.m. Sue closed the meeting with a prayer

Respectfully Submitted,

The Rev. Bruce Smith
(Acting Secretary)