

2006 Standing Committee Report to 108th Convention of the Diocese of Northern Indiana

The Standing Committee performed their duties in 2006 by meeting together face to face and via electronic (i.e. by email) settings. In 2006, the following items were acted upon:

- **Requests from other dioceses to hold Episcopal elections:**
 - Diocese of Albany for a Bishop Coadjutor – Consent granted
 - Diocese of Virginia for a Bishop Coadjutor – Consent granted
 - Diocese of Texas for a Bishop Suffragan – Consent granted
 - Diocese of Southwest Florida for a Bishop Coadjutor – Consent granted
- **Requests to consent to postulancy, candidacy and ordinations to the Diaconate and Priesthood:**
 - Marcus Thomas Cunningham to Sacred Order of Deacons – Consent granted
 - Margaret Shaw to Sacred Order of Deacons – Consent granted
 - Larry Biller to Sacred Order of Deacons – Consent granted
 - Marcus Thomas Cunningham to Sacred Order of Priests – Consent granted
- **Other actions of the Standing Committee:**
 - In grateful acknowledgement of his many years of service in and for the Diocese of Northern Indiana, accepted the resignation of Standing Committee President, The Rev. Brian Grantz, who accepted a call to ministry outside the Diocese.
 - The Standing Committee elected The Rev. Bennett Jones, as President of the Standing Committee and The Rev. James Warnock as Secretary. The Standing Committee also elected The Rev. Martin Yabroff to serve until the next Diocesan Convention. Dean Yabroff will be eligible for election at Convention.
 - Trinity Church, Michigan City, submitted a request to alienate property – request granted.
 - The Standing Committee endorsed a proposed resolution to be submitted by the Bishop to the next Diocesan Convention regarding the Windsor Report:

Resolved, that this 108th Convention of the Diocese of Northern Indiana affirm the recommendations found in the statement of the Diocesan Standing Committee of August 16, 2005 concerning the Windsor Report:

- *We fully endorse the Windsor Report and its vision of interdependent life with the Anglican Communion*
- *We commit ourselves to living by the Report's recommendations.*
- *We do so in order to provide a time for healing within the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion.*

And be it further resolved, that a copy of this statement be sent to the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church and to the Archbishop of Canterbury.

È The following motion was also passed:

The Standing Committee expresses its concern that all congregations of the Diocese:

- *Have submitted their 2005 Parochial Reports (signed copy, approved by the Vestry), with accompanying forms for scheduled audit, salaries and property listings, etc.*
- *Have conducted, or are scheduled and committed to conduct, an acceptable audit, including all clergy discretionary funds.*
- *Request that the Bishop report the status of these items at the next meeting of the Standing Committee.*