

Positions to be filled by Election at 2007 Diocesan Convention, November 2-3, 2007

Deputies to 2009 General Convention

4 clerical and 4 lay deputies for three years

The primary task of each General Convention Deputy is to attend the 10-day General Convention (held in the summer) and such meetings deemed necessary by the deputation before and after the Convention, and to study carefully all materials submitted for consideration by the House of Deputies at General Convention. In addition, it is the duty of each deputy to communicate to the Diocese action taken and positions established by General Convention. Deputies may also be appointed to committees of the House of Deputies.



Note: 4 clerical and 4 lay provisional (alternate) deputies will be elected at the 2008 Convention.

Members of the Diocesan Ecclesiastical Trial Court

2 clerical and 1 lay member for four-year terms

The Ecclesiastical Trial Court is an elected body of clergy and laity whose purpose is to carry out the requirements of the national (Title IV) and diocesan disciplinary canons, including the trial of any priest or deacon liable to presentment for disciplinary reason, who does not waive his or her right to trial. The clerical members may be deacons or priests and must be canonically resident in this Diocese; the lay members must be adult communicants in good standing of a parish or mission in union with Convention, and at least one, according to Title IV, must be learned in the law.

Members of the Board of Directors of the Barbara C. Harris Center

2 members (clerical or lay) for 3 year terms

The Barbara C. Harris Center Board of Directors includes 12 at large members, six of whom are elected at Diocesan Convention, and 3 ex officio members. Regular meetings of the Board will be held no less than quarterly and may meet as often as monthly.

The Board is charged with oversight of the entire management of the business and affairs of the Center, including setting the operational policy, goals and objectives of the Center. Members' responsibilities and duties include: supporting the organization's mission and working



vigorously to accomplish it; developing and maintaining communication links throughout the diocese and to other potential clients outside the diocese which enhance the public image of the Center and increase revenues both earned and contributed; attending Board meetings; participating in both short and long term planning; serving on committees as needed; supporting and evaluating the performance of the conference center director; evaluating and enacting recommendations to enhance the performance of the Center; acting as stewards of the Center's natural and physical resources and facilities of the camp; providing adequate resources for the enhancement and growth of the Center's operations and activities by making a personal commitment to assist with all Center fundraising programs; and serving and governing subject to the policies of the diocese.

Members of Standing Committee:

1 clerical and 1 lay member for four-year terms

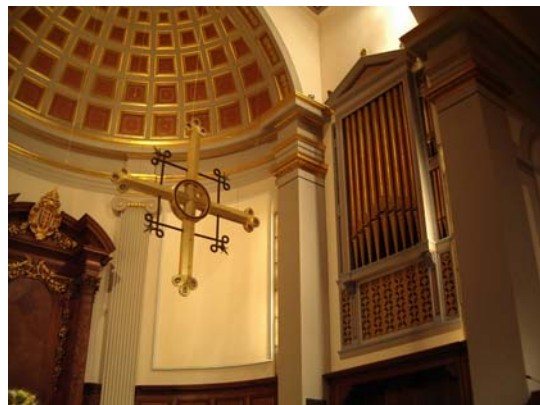
The Standing Committee is an elected body of laity and clergy serving as a council of advice to the Bishop; it must consent to certain actions of the Bishop and in rare occasions becomes the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

The Standing Committee usually meets on the second Thursday of each month September through June. The Committee's duties include: working with the Commission on Ministry, helping to screen applicants seeking postulancy, and approving candidacies and recommending candidates for ordination to the diaconate and priesthood; advising on any changes of parish by-laws, Stokes Fund loans to parishes, and any encumbrance or sale of church property, including applications for Massachusetts Historical Society grants; approving the admission of parishes or missions into union with the Diocesan Convention; and assisting the Bishop in responding appropriately to parishes in conflict. A relatively new function under new national Canon Title IV encompasses canonical responsibilities dealing with disciplinary issues.

Cathedral Chapter:

1 clerical and 1 lay member for three-year terms

The Cathedral Chapter is the Corporation for the Cathedral Church of St. Paul and includes the Bishop, Bishops Suffragan, Dean, Canons, Chancellor and Treasurer of the Cathedral, three priests and three lay persons elected by the Diocesan Convention, three lay persons elected by the Chapter, and two lay persons elected by the Cathedral congregation.



The Chapter is entrusted with the administration of the affairs, temporal and spiritual, of the Cathedral as the official seat and spiritual home of the Bishop and the center of diocesan work and worship.

Trustees of Donations:

1 member (clerical or lay) for a five-year term

The Trustees of Donations is an affiliated organization of the Diocese which was established in 1810 to manage trust and other financial assets of the Diocese. In 1939 the Diocesan Investment Trust was established under a declaration of trust as an investment vehicle for those funds and was made available to parishes and other church organizations.

Membership includes 25 persons, three of whom are elected each year by the Trustees for a five-year term, one appointed each year by the Bishop for a five-year term, and one elected each year by Convention for a five-year term. The Trustees meet quarterly to review the performance of the funds managed by the managers with whom they have contracted.

OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE:

Treasurer of the Diocese:

for a one-year term

The Treasurer of the Diocese has oversight of the finances of the diocese, including investments, cash, and real property. (There is an Assistant Treasurer on staff to assist with the administration of this office.) He or she is also advisory to the Bishop on financial matters and one of the officers of the Diocese. He or she is accountable to the Diocesan Council and Diocesan Convention. He or she serves as a member of the Diocesan Council (ex officio), the Personnel Committee of the Diocese, and the Finance Committee, among others. The time commitment is about one day meeting per week and one night meeting per month.



Secretary of the Diocese:

for a one-year term

The Secretary of the Diocese takes part in planning, preparation and execution of Convention, and at Convention assists the Bishop with the running of the legislative sessions. The Secretary's office receives all resolutions, amendments, and official written business, and sees that all materials required by canon are mailed to clergy and lay members of Convention. (There is an Assistant Secretary on staff to assist with the administration of this office.) He or she is official signatory of Convention correspondence. He or she is an officer of the Diocese and as such is a member of the Diocesan Council. The time commitment includes monthly Diocesan Council meetings, attendance at Convention, meetings as needed to plan Convention, and a meeting during the week of Convention to review the detailed Order of Business.