

PROVINCE II OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Minutes of Provincial Council Regular Meeting  
Via Zoom Conference  
Tuesday, January, 16, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Eastern

Present (via Zoom): The Right Reverend Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe, President; the Reverend Jimmie Sue Deppe, Secretary; Mr. Thomas K. Chu, Esq., Chair of Synod Planning Committee, Lay Representative to Executive Council; the Right Reverend Carlye J. Hughes, Bishop Representative to Provincial Council; Ms. Yvonne O'Neal, Lay Representative to the Provincial Council.

Also present: Ms. Neva Rae Fox, Provincial Coordinator; Ms. Janice Paxton, Webmaster and Editor of InProv2; Carolyn Belvin (ECW).

Absent: the Rev. Canon Johnnie Ross, Clergy Representative to the Provincial Council; Canon Phyllis Jones, Treasurer; Lis Jacobs, Assistant Treasurer; Rev. Allen Wakabayashi (Provincial Coordinator for Young Adults); Karen Patterson; the Venerable Dr. Walter Baer, Vice-President; Ms. Martha Berry, Esq., Province II Chancellor; the Reverend Lillian Davis-Wilson, Dcn., Clergy Provincial Representative to the Executive Council; the Rev. Yamily Bass-Choate; Province II Representative to Executive Council Committee on Anti-Racism. Also, Jennifer Kenna (ECW), Arlette Benoit Joseph (Province II CPG Representative)

This is a Regular Meeting of the Provincial Council called by President the Right Reverend Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe by notice sent by email by Provincial Coordinator Neva Rae Fox on January 16, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by President Duncan-Probe with prayer. The meeting proceeded in accordance with the Agenda sent by Ms. Fox on the morning of January 10.

There was not a quorum so general discussion was held.

Approval of the October 4, 2023 Minutes

Deferred until our next meeting.

Motion to approve \_\_\_\_\_ made the motion and \_\_\_\_\_ (1<sup>st</sup>) and \_\_\_\_\_ (2<sup>nd</sup>).

Report from the President

Bishop Duncan-Probe gave her report: Slave Trade remembrance is moving along and is in a tender stage. This is important work for us to engage in and naming sins of the past and present as we work towards truths and reconciliation. Will be held at 10am on Ash Wednesday, and there is a Facebook event link on the Province II website that can be shared widely. Request to support this faithful offering.

Consecration in Albany approaching; Annual Report work has begun with Bishop Duncan-Probe and Ms. Neva Rae. The Annual Report is required and due on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

### Report from the Treasurer

There is no report.

Ms. Phyllis Jones/Ms. Lis Jacobs gave the report: No Treasurer's Report was given.

### Committee Reports

**Nominating Committee:** Reviewed the report received from Ms. Martha Berry, Esq. – more to come soon.

**Synod Planning Committee/Next meeting February 1:** Initial planning has begun. February 1 is the next meeting to have all the critical path planning completed.

### PLC/PLC Coordinators Report: Neva Rae

Next meeting is the first Tuesday of February hosting Molly James to discuss logistics. Like to listen for events happening Province III has every three years they hold a Title IV session review, it will be online and open to all the Provinces. This is something for Province II to consider holding as well.

### Anything to include for the calendar

Something for us to consider: planning a Province II event at General Convention? Bishop Duncan-Probe would like us to have a gathering; requests that Neva Rae find a room for Province II to gather on possibly June 25<sup>th</sup> or possibly after the last legislative session or perhaps as a lunch?

### Other Business

No other business.

### Next Steps

None at this time.

### Next Meeting

TBD.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on consent at 9:45a.m. with prayer by Bishop Duncan-Probe.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Jimmie Sue Deppe, Secretary