

HOUSE OF BISHOPS COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT

Membership

The Rt. Rev. Vincent W. Warner, <i>Chair</i>	Olympia
The Rt. Rev. Bruce Caldwell	Wyoming
The Rt. Rev. Clarence Coleridge	Connecticut
Mrs. Betty Creighton	Central Pennsylvania
The Rt. Rev. Theodore Daniels	Virgin Islands
The Rt. Rev. Gary Gloster	North Carolina
The Rt. Rev. Clark Grew	Ohio, <i>resigned</i>
The Rt. Rev. Robert H. Johnson	Western North Carolina
Mrs. Ira Leidel	Western Michigan
The Rt. Rev. Mary Adelia McLeod	Vermont, <i>resigned</i>
The Rt. Rev. Jack McKelvey	Rochester
The Rt. Rev. Larry Maze	Arkansas
The Rt. Rev. Don A. Wimberly	Texas
The Rt. Rev. F. Clayton Matthews	<i>Bishop for the Office of Pastoral Development</i>

SUMMARY OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORK

The Committee met twice a year during the Triennium in November and April respectively. The primary function of the Committee was to serve as a council of advice to the Bishop of the Office of Pastoral Development, as well as to oversee pastoral programs for the House of Bishops including providing input to the Planning Committees of the House and the Spouses.

During the triennium the Committee worked in partnership with other Committees as designated in responding to Resolutions A045 (Ordination of Women) and X018 (Human Sexuality). The Rt. Rev. Gary Gloster was appointed to represent the Committee on the Theology Committee which was assigned the responsibility of Resolution A045.

In response to the provision to “provide pastoral care for all in our Communion, as we grow in Christ’s wisdom,” from the Anglican Communion Primate’s Pastoral Address, the Committee established, “*Pastoral Dimensions Of Our Shared Lives*,” through which the following initiatives were carried out:

- “members of the Committee will be intentional about contacting bishops and spouses who are less involved for whatever reason in the life of the communities of the House and the Spouses Group;
- members of the Committee will communicate to the Planning Committees the need to be sensitive in creating programs and obtaining speakers that will better insure that we are not isolating each other or particular groups;
- the Committee will monitor the work being done on Resolutions A045 (Women’s Ordination) and X018 (Human Sexuality) through the Executive Council, and any special committees created for the purpose of examining the pastoral implications;
- through the Council of Advice, each Provincial President will be encouraged to make special efforts to invite those who are not attending meetings regularly to attend; and
- working with the Office of the Presiding Bishop, the Committee will seek to be attentive to committee and commission appointments for the House, and for General Convention to assure as broad and as varied leadership as is feasible.”

The following initiatives were adopted for the Triennium:

- take seriously the systemic and individual importance of the pastoral dimensions of our shared life;
- continue as a council of advice and support to the Bishop for the Office of Pastoral Development;
- provide direct attention to the pastoral care of bishops and spouses;
- monitor the work on Resolutions A045 and X-18 from a pastoral perspective;
- find increased funding for Episcopal formation, development and education courses and programs;

- respond to specific needs raised by the House and the Spouses Group.

During the course of the Triennium, each member was given oversight of specific programs being offered by the Office of Pastoral Development under the heading of Formation and Development as well as Pastoral Care. The Office of Pastoral Development offers seven annual programs to support and inform bishops as they exercise episcopé. In addition, the Office supports all Dioceses conducting Episcopal Elections. Since 1998 through the upcoming General Convention of the Church, we will have elected 65 new bishops, and 10 bishops-elect will be presented to the General Convention for the necessary consents of election from both Houses.

The Committee offered advice on the selection of new leaders for the New Bishops' and Spouses' Retreat, The Orderly Transitions Conference, The New Bishops' Research Project, and the Reorganization of The College for Bishops. In addition, the Committee offered advice and support on the notion of creating a national network (Nathan Network) to support, educate, train, and advocate for diocesan personnel directly responsible for handling responses to boundary violations and reported misconduct.

In direct response to a Mind of the House Resolution adopted in the Fall of 2002, the Committee devised a process to be used by the House to respond to “breaches of collegiality, church order, or previously agreed upon covenants.” This process, which has been positively received by the Presiding Bishop and the Council of Advice, will be presented to the House of Bishops at the March 2003 meeting at Kanuga Conference Center in the Diocese of Western North Carolina.

BUDGET APPROPRIATION

Income	2004	2005	2006	TOTAL
	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$45,000

Resolution A153 House of Bishops Committee on Pastoral Development Budget Appropriation

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That there be appropriated from the Budget of the General
2 Convention, the sum of \$45,000 for the expenses of the Committee on Pastoral Development for the
3 Triennium