

The Schuylkill Deanery Plenary Meeting Minutes  
 Calvary St. Augustine Episcopal Church  
 Wednesday, February 6, 2019  
 6:00-7:30 PM

- I. The Holy Eucharist The Rev. Fr. Hank White  
 II. Call to Order The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw  
 III. Roll Call Phyllis B Cater

	CHURCH	CLERGY	LAY
AECST	2		2
CALVARY ST. AUGUSTINE	1		4
HOLY APOSTLES AND THE MEDIATOR	0		2
PHILADELPHIA CATHEDRAL	2		1
ST. ANDREW ST. MONICA	0		2
ST. GEORGE ST. BARNABAS	1		3
ST, JAMES KINGSEEING	0		2
ST, MARY'S HAMILTON VILLAGE	1		0

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw, The Rev. Fr. Sam Ndung'u, Phyllis B. Cater, The Rev. Fr. Hank White, Willam Berry, Louise Moss, Sandra McFadden Brown, Lillian Anne Randolph, Pattie Davis, Jean Fowler, The Very Rev. Judy Sullivan, The Rev. Canon Sarah Hedgis, Isaac Quelly, Renae Rutherford Lowe, Jackie Leonard, The Rev. Fr. Al Holland, Kurt Williams, Deborah Gaye, Avyane Osbourne, Katherine Wilson, W. Tonia Nelson, The Rev. Deacon Barbara TobinThe Rev. David Anderson ( Guest).

- IV. Minutes of the November 14, 2018 Meeting  
 Motion to approve: Dean Sullivan, seconded Louise Moss M/V/A

V. Financial Report:	W. Tonia Nelson
Statement Beginning Balance	\$ 5,111.25
Disbursements:	
HAM	100.00
St. James	100.00
St. Andrew St. Monica	100.00
Totals Disbursements	\$. 300.00
Ending Balance as of January 15, 2019	\$ 4, 811.00
Motion to Approve : William Berry, seconded Louise Moss M/V/A	

- VI. Dean's Remarks The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw

Dean Shaw greeted all persons present, thanked Rev. White and the Calvary St. Augustine members for hosting and preparing a delicious meal for our enjoyment. He also acknowledged the presence of Guest Rev. Anderson and new member Issac Quelly from the Philadelphia Cathedral. In his brief remarks the Dean requested that the members note the changes to the 2019 Calendar for the meetings in the months of April and June. He concluded his remarks with thanks to the Churches that have paid their 2019 Assessments, and requested that the remaining Churches paid as soon as possible.

- VII. Diocesan Council Report:  
 Pattie Davis reported that the next Council meeting is scheduled for next week on March 23rd. She also announced that there are funds from the Diocese to support programs and ministries In parishes throughout the Diocese. The application instructions are on the Diocese website and the deadline is April.

VIII. Old Business:

Louise Moss, the Chair of the Logan Scholarship Fund Committee presented recommendations from the committee for consideration of the following activities:

A Schuylkill Deanery sponsored day trip to the National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington DC.

The trip could be a stand alone event in the late summer/early fall or it could be combined with the the Alcotyle Festival at the Washington Cathedral.

The committee received positive interest in the suggestion to visit the Museum, and Dean Shaw asked the committee to explore the costs and date options for doing this trip as a fund-raising activity for the Deanery.

The 2019 Schuylkill Deanery Acolyte Festival Committee: The Rev. Fr. Sam reported that the day for the festival is scheduled to be held at the Philadelphia Cathedral on Saturday, May 18th. The Committee is planning a full day of seminars with breakfast and lunch. Dean Shaw asked Issac Quells an Acolyte at the Cathedral to join the planning committee.

IX. New Business:

Episcopal Community Services

The Rev. Fr. David R. Anderson, the newly appointed Chaplain of the Episcopal Community Services Organization presented thanked Dean Shaw for allowing him to come to the Deanery to introduce his new role on behalf of the Diocese and the ECS organization. In his role, Rev. Anderson is planning to meet with all of the Deaneries in the Diocese to work on issues addressing the elimination of poverty in our Diocese. Chaplain Anderson has two main goals: To education the realities and myths of being in poverty. and to advocate for public governments to enact legislation and policies that will help ease the burdens and barriers experienced by residents living in poverty. ECS provides educational programs that help develop a positive mind-set and coaching on financial managements. job training, and other daily living skills to increase employability and a better quality of life.

Diocesan Anti-Gun Violence Commission's Program- Faithful Witness.

Dorothy Jasper Archey ( Dottie) as member of the Ani-Gun Violence Program Faithful Witness informed the body that one of the events for Gun Violence Awareness Days that is being sponsored by AECST and the faith Communities in the Overbrook/West Philadelphia is to reflect, educate, and "Heed God's Call to End Gun Violence" to aid in ending gun violence. This event is scheduled on Saturday, May 4th and a procession at 3:00 pm on Sunday, May 5th in Overbrook ending at St. Thomas Church.

The Rev. Sarah Hedgis also thanked the Schuylkill Deanery for its leadership in this effort and announced that another walk around the neighborhood at St. George St. Barnabas on Good Friday, April 19th at 4:00 pm.

All Deanery members are encourage and welcomed to participate in giving Faithful Witness to end Gun Violence.

X. Congregational Announcements:

XI. Adjournment/Closing Prayer:

Following the closing prayer by the Rev. Fr. Hank White, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Phyllis B. Cater

