

Standing Commission on Anglican and International Peace with Justice Concerns (unofficial) Public Minutes November 15 to 18, 2006 Chicago O'Hare Marriot

Present:

The Very Rev. Jose Luis Mendoza Barahona (Honduras, 2012)
The Rev. Dr. Lee Alison Crawford (VT, 2009 Executive Council Liaison)
The Very. Rev. Allen W. Farabee (Western NY, 2009)
Mr. Matthew N. Gobush (Washington, D.C., 2012)
The Right Rev. James L. Jelinek (Minnesota, 2009)
The Rev. Michael Kinman (Missouri, 2009)
Ms. Jane Macarthy (Ohio, 2012)
Dr. K. Tyler Miller (Newark, 2009)
Mrs. Guadalupe Moriel-Guillen (Los Angeles, 2009)
Ms. Michèle K. Spike (Churches in Europe, 2009)
The Rev. Dr. Nelson W. Pinder (Central Florida, Liaison for the President of the House of Deputies)

Arrived Thursday, November 16, 2006

Mr. Joseph Ernest Smith (Central Florida, 2012)

The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts-Schori

Staff:

The Rev. Canon Brian Grieves (Director, Peace and Justice Ministries)
Ms. Maureen Shea (Director, Office of Government Relations)
The Rev. Canon Tony Jewiss (Deputy Executive Officer)

Absent:

The Right Rev. Carol Joy Gallagher (Newark, 2009)

Wednesday, November 15

Bishop Jelinek convened the meeting at 7 PM with an opening prayer.

Mrs. Moriel-Guillen with the help of the Rev. Dr. Crawford translated for the Very Rev. Barahona. TEC supplied translator was not with us until Thursday, Nov. 16.

The use of electronic technology such as webcams and chat rooms for at least one of our meetings was discussed.

Resolutions referred to SCAIPJC

Bp. Jelinek handed out the following resolutions referred to SCAIPJC:

- A104: Amend Canon 1.1.2 Standing Commissions
- B002: Response to Global Warming
- D022: MDGs and the ONE Campaign

- C017: Global Poverty. Resolution not acted on by legislative committee at GC 2006 because there were resolutions doing the same thing, including A010 referred to GC 2006 by SCAIPJC and passed by both houses.

Resolutions sent to SCAIPJC to GC 2006 that died at Convention passed by the Executive Council the afternoon of November 15

- U.S. Policy Toward Cuba (A015) {from The Rev. Canon Grieves in e-mail on 15 Dec. 2006}
- INC 006, Israel/Palestine Peace Commitments (A011)
- INC 007, Palestine/Israel Peace Process (A012)

A short discussion ensued on changes made to A012 by the Executive Council.

Election of officers

The Following officers were elected by acclamation:

- Chair: The Right Rev. James L. Jelinek
- Co-Chair: The Rev. Michael Kinman
- Secretary: Dr. K. Tyler Miller
- The Rev. Dr. Nelson Pinder was appointed Chaplin by acclamation.

This session closed with Compline at 9 PM

Thursday, November 16

Bp. Jelinek opened the meeting with prayer at 7 PM.

Translator supplied by TEC, Carlos Solis translated for The Very Rev. Barahona for all sessions effective on this date.

Bp. Jelinek set a tentative agenda for our session on Friday, November 17. SCAIPJC members will network, as possible, with members of other Commissions and Committees in Chicago about possible overlaps. Bp. Jelinek passed out unofficial copies of Executive Council Resolutions INC 006 and INC 007 with thanks to The Rev. Dr. Crawford and The Very Rev. Farabee for reproducing copies of the resolutions.

Anti-racism training

The rest of this session was spent completing the anti-racism training that was begun earlier in the day. Members of SCAIPJC filled out the antiracism training survey form; Bp. Jelinek handed in these forms to the trainer at the end of the night's session.

This session was closed with Compline at 9 PM.

Friday, November 17

We opened with Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM. Bp. Jelinek welcomed our guest, The Rev. Jackie Lyn, Executive Director of the Episcopal Peace Fellowship.

Conveyed by Dr. Miller on behalf of The Rev. Dr. Gregory Straub (Executive Officer)

- Handed out copies of new travel guidelines (passed by the Executive Council on Nov. 12), officers of CCAB's present in Chicago, and evaluation forms (due in Secretariats office on Saturday, Nov. 18).
- Costs associated with this meeting are not charged to individual CCAB budgets (e.g. SCAIPJC), rather they are covered by the Executive Council and carryovers of unspent funds from CCABs during the last triennium.

Presiding Bishop stopped by to meet with SCAIPJC

The Presiding Bishop looked at the work the commission had done to that point and noted the following issues as particularly important for the triennium.

- Israel/Palestine
- Darfur
- Philippines (The Rev. Canon Grieves going shortly and will report to SCAIPJC)
- Opportunities for partnership with Lutherans, Moravians and Methodists

She reviewed and discussed our morning's work and entertained questions from members of SCAIPJC. She made a special point of discussing the rising sea level due to global warming and intensifying storms that will be of special concern to islands, including island nations in The Episcopal Church such as Puerto Rico.

Ms. Maureen Shea (Director, Office of Government Relations)

She discussed their advocacy work with Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP), a coalition of 21 Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox denominations and organizations that have been working on these issues for over 20 years. CMEP is sponsoring a conference on the Middle East May 6 to 8, 2007 at National City Christian Church in Washington, with the 8th the day to lobby on Capitol Hill.

Trips by Commission Members

- The Rev. Kinman and Bp. Jelinek are attending the TEAM conference in Johannesburg hosted by Archbishop Njongonkulu Ndungane
- Bp. Jelinek is on sabbatical in 2008 and will be traveling to different areas.
- The Rev. Kinman will be traveling to Rwanda this March.
- Mrs. Moriel-Guillen is going to Ecuador
- Mr. Gobash may go to Russia

Regions and issues for this triennium's work

1. East-Central Africa
 - a. Darfur, Sudan, N. Uganda
 - b. AIDS, malaria, water
 - c. Christian Church
 - d. Religious Dimensions of Conflict
2. Central America
 - a. International gangs, human rights, gov't corruption
 - b. Water, health, emigration/immigration
 - c. TNCs (transnational corporations)

3. International Gangs
 - a. Corruption, human trafficking
 - b. Drugs (pharmaceuticals), education (MDG)
4. Emerging Democracies (recognize this is an imperfect term, parse it out later)
 - a. Gov't corruption, human rights
 - b. Afghanistan
5. Middle East
 - a. Israel/Palestine
 - b. Iraq
 - c. Iran
 - d. "Terrorism"
6. Area(s) for study (study piece)
 - a. Just/war terrorism
 - b. Water
 - c. Christian Churches in proximity to Islam
 - d. Religious dimensions of conflict in world potential for TEC/AC to be reconcilers
 - e. Walls
7. Other areas: global warming, Philippines, Liberia, Haiti, and Cuba.

Next meeting of SCAIPJC from Thursday evening April 19 to Sunday afternoon April 22 at the Cathedral College in Washington D.C. Bp. Jelinek to contact Cathedral College.

The Rev. Canon Tony Jewiss stopped by to welcome us and answered questions on procedural and financial matters.

This day's session was adjourned at 5:45 PM

Saturday, November 18

We opened with Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM. The Rev. Kinman chaired the meeting. We chose two areas from numbers one through five above and at least one area for study before meeting in small groups. Middle East and Emerging Democracies group met together. After meeting, the convener of each group reported back to the Commission.

Liaisons to other CCABs

- The Rev. Kinman to The Status of Women, Liturgy and Music
- Dr. Miller to Health
- The Very Rev. Barahona to World Missions

Resolutions referred to all CCABs

- A051: Electronic CCAB meetings
- A112 Directions for Future
- A159 Interdependence in the Anglican Communion
- D031 Budget Priorities

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.