

EPISCOPAL COMMUNICATORS

Annual Business Meeting Minutes
The Curtis Hotel, Denver Colorado
May 1, 2019

Opening prayer: Melodie Woerman

President Melodie Woerman called the 2019 business meeting to order at 12:45 pm and confirmed that there was a quorum (10% of members required in attendance).

The minutes of the 2018 annual meeting held at Kanuga, Hendersonville North Carolina, were approved as presented.

President report – Melodie Woerman

- There are currently 302 active members.

Committee Reports

Professional Standards

Committee members: Sarah Bartenstein, chair, Ashley Graham-Wilcox, Scott Gunn, and Mike Orr.

- The committee developed and distributed a compensation survey to members.
- Received a 26.8% response rate.
- Ashley Graham-Wilcox and Mike Orr reported on the survey findings and they will be available on the Episcopal Communicators website.
- The committee is looking for ways to provide support to communicators in regards to salary, and letter of agreement templates.
- Data was somewhat incomplete due to lack of survey response.

Professional Development:

Committee members: Christine McTaggart, chair, and Nicole Baxley

- Taking results of survey and doing strategic planning in regards to professional development.
- Offered one webinar per quarter and will start building a webinar library.
- Currently working on webinar lineup for 2019.
- Planning on rebuilding resource section on Episcopal Communicators website, and will focus on best practices, and sample templates, and more.

Membership:

Committee members: Nicole Krug, chair, Natalee Hill

- Determine which dioceses and organizations have communicators that are not Episcopal Communicator members and reach out to them.
- Articulate benefits of joining Episcopal Communicators aside from the annual conference.

Site Selection:

Committee members: Robyn Banks, chair, Richelle Thompson, Neva Rae Fox, and Hanna Wilder

- Robyn indicated that anyone interested in hosting a conference should contact her.

Polly Bond Committee:

Committee members, Dan Murphy, chair, Liz Bartenstein, Ashley Cameron, Kim Fry, Katie Forsyth

- Thanked everyone for submitting their work for Polly Bond consideration.

Elections:

- Voting remains open till May 2, 2019 at 12:00 PM (MT).

Acknowledgements: Melodie

- Thanks to site selection committee, Mike Orr for his conference help, Seth Reese and St. John's Cathedral.

Financial: Bill Slocumb

Year-end 2018

- Income: \$136,000
- Expenses: \$102,000
- Ending 2018: \$34,000
- Membership is increasing.
- Conference registration is increasing.
- This is Bill Slocumb's fifth term and ninth year. If anyone interested in serving as treasurer contact the board.
- Episcopal Communicators gave out \$2,500 in scholarships to assist members in attending EpisComm19.

Questions & Comments:

We received \$25,000 in sponsorship this year!

- Digital Evangelism
- The Saint Francis Foundation
- Church Pension Group
- Diocese of Colorado
- Diocese of Southern Ohio
- Episcopal Church Foundation
- Forward Movement
- 5 Degrees Branding
- Episcopal Relief and Development
- Seminary of the Southwest
- Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes
- St. John's Cathedral, Denver

Meeting adjourned by Melodie Woerman at 1:31pm MT

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori Daniels

