

Resolution Number: CCR2 - Amend Canon 27A

From: Constitution and Canons Committee

Purpose: To amend Canon 27A to provide that the members of the Board of Directors for The Solomon Episcopal Conference Center are appointed by the Bishop and approved by The Convention, removing references to the Board of Visitors and Diocesan Support Organizations.

Resolution:

BE IT PROPOSED that at the Annual Meeting of the 186th Convention of the Diocese of the Episcopal Church of Louisiana, being held October 27 and 28, 2023, at St. Martin's School Metairie, The Convention vote in favor of the following Amendment to Canon 27A.

That Canon 27A be amended as follows:

THE SOLOMON EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE CENTER

Section 1. There shall be a Board of Directors of The Solomon Episcopal Conference Center. It shall be comprised of nine ~~elected~~ members appointed by The Bishop and approved by The Convention, plus The Bishop, ~~the President of the Board of Visitors, and no more than three other representatives of Diocesan Support Organizations as The Bishop chooses~~. The Chancellor of The Diocese or his designee among the Vice-Chancellors of The Diocese shall be an ex-officio member without vote for the purpose of providing legal counsel. The Diocesan Treasurer or his designee shall be an ex-officio member without vote.

Section 2. At each meeting of The Convention, The Bishop shall nominate three persons to the Board for election- approval by The Convention ~~to the Board~~. Each member shall serve a three-year term. ~~Elected members may be re-elected to a subsequent term. After serving two consecutive terms, an elected member of the Board shall not be eligible for reelection for a period of one Convention year.~~

Section 3. The Bishop shall serve as Chair of the Board. The Board shall choose a Vice-Chair annually from its membership and shall appoint a Secretary.

Section 4. The Board shall meet regularly, at least four times a year. A quorum for a meeting shall be fifty percent of the membership plus one. ~~The position on the Board of any elected appointed member who misses three consecutive meetings unexcused shall become vacant. The Bishop shall have the discretion to remove any appointed member of the Board for persistent failure to attend meetings, nonfulfillment of Board responsibilities, or for conduct detrimental to the functioning of the Board.~~ The Bishop shall appoint a replacement for the remaining portion of that member's term. ~~In like manner, in the event of any other vacancy, The Bishop shall appoint a replacement.~~

Section 5. The Board shall be charged with the governance of The Solomon Episcopal Conference Center. The Board shall set operational policy, goals, and objectives of the SECC. It shall serve as a resource to the Executive Director. The Executive Director shall present a written report monthly to the Board on the operation and finances of the Center.

Section 6. The Board operates under the authority of The Bishop and the Executive Board of the Diocese. It shall report to the Executive Board at each of the Executive Board's regularly scheduled meetings, and, at the invitation of The Bishop, to The Convention.