

**Summary Minutes of the Diocesan Council
Of the Episcopal Church in Delaware
December 16, 2021**

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer. Newly elected members present were welcomed. The agenda was accepted and the minutes of the October meeting approved. The canon for finance and the council treasurer updated the council as to acceptances received since the annual convention in November.

Council received an update from Walt LaFontaine, director of Camp Arrowhead. We were informed of the success of the previous summer program, the progress on construction of the new buildings, and plans for the future, including a Bridge Team to help with the transition from Summer Camp to year-round camp and conference facility. Summer camping will include more diverse populations and staff is working to collect information to learn how to serve all our campers. Walt also informed us that he and his wife, Nancy, will be retiring at the end of 2023, but will remain in the area to volunteer and be a resource.

There was a discussion of the 237th Annual Convention – reviewing what had happened and including hopes for the 238th Annual Convention.

Council officers for 2022 were elected. Helen Spence is the vice-president of Diocesan Council and Rob Morgan will remain Secretary. Bishop Brown thanked Kay Keenan for her 2-year tenure as vice-president during this time of pandemic.

Council reviewed health care resolutions for retirees and housing allowance documents for those eligible. We learned of vacancies on the council, due to resignations, and we thanked all who were completing their terms for their valuable service to us all. We closed in prayer.