

The Episcopal Diocese of Vermont

Special Diocesan Convention

June 4, 2011



Purpose

To receive and discuss a report from the Capital Campaign Discernment Committee and act on their recommendations.

Discussion Agenda

- 9:00 – 10:00 Cathedral Open for registration (coffee, etc. available)
- 10:00 – 12:00 Anthony Robinson Seminar: “Changing the Conversation”
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch hour – people are on their own
- Convention Registration
- 1:00 – 1:45 Convention opens, welcome, worship, remarks from the Bishop
- 1:45 – 3:00 Presentation from CCDC, including a summary of the discernment process to date, followed by facilitated table discussions using these questions:
1. The Feasibility Study conducted by our Consultant Christine Graham raised some important concerns that need to be addressed as part of our effort to launch a Capital Campaign. Referring especially to the Analysis and Recommendations and the Executive Summary sections of the Feasibility Study Report, to what degree do you agree (or not) with those concerns and recommendations?
 2. What are the highest priorities for you, and how can the Bishop and other diocesan leaders best join with you and your congregation to create a more sustainable future for our church?
 3. What else do you want to say about the Case Statement and/or the Feasibility Study Report?
- 3:00 – 3:30 Notes gathered from each table and one minute summaries given by each facilitator.
- 3:30 Discussion and action on the following proposed resolution, offered as a recommendation to convention delegates from the CCDC:

Proposed Resolution

Resolved, That attention be given and actions be taken at both the local and diocesan level to address the concerns raised in the 2011 Capital Campaign Feasibility Study report and summarized in the section “Analysis and Recommendations,” and be it further,

Resolved, That the Bishop and Diocesan Council, parallel with the above efforts, use the next 18 months to prepare a detailed plan for a collaborative diocesan-wide approach to fundraising to be presented to Diocesan Convention 2012 for consideration and action, and be it further,

Resolved, That delegates from this Convention commit to communicate the content, spirit and outcome of this day with the members of their local congregations.