

**Minutes of the Diocesan Council**  
July 12, 2016 / Conference Call

**Attendance:**

*The following were present:*

*The Rt. Rev. Douglas J. Fisher, President  
The Rev. William Murray, Secretary  
Ms. Karen Warren, Assistant Secretary  
Mr. Steve Abdow, Assistant Treasurer  
The Rev. Jesse Abell, Worcester corridor  
Mr. John Cheek, Berkshire Corridor  
The Rev. Tom Damrosch, Berkshire Corridor  
Ms. Joan Gilchrist, Worcester Corridor  
The Rev. José Reyes, Worcester Corridor*

*Excused:*

*The Reverends Heather Blais, Derrick Fetz, Pamela Mott, and Catherine Munz; Ms. Donna Christian, Mr. Wayne Gass, Mr. Stephen Houghton, Mr. Frank Minasian, and Mr. Dan Mylott*

This teleconference meeting of Diocesan Council was convened at 8:32 a.m. by the Rt. Rev. Douglas Fisher. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. Nine people were present with seven voting members.

**Vote to approve Resolution to open new Bank Account**

Bishop Doug Fisher and Assistant Treasurer Steve Abdow reviewed the reasons for opening a new savings account—an 18-month Certificate of Deposit. This would be in order to move a portion of the Bishop's Discretionary Fund to an interest-bearing account. It has been determined that this portion will not be needed for approximately 18 months. Steve added that this is a recommendation of the Budget and Financial Planning Committee. Members of Council received a copy of the Corporate Authorization Resolution (**Appendix A, 1-2**) in advance of this conference call.

Motion was made and Seconded to approve the resolutions. Following discussion, it was determined that Bishop Fisher's name be added to the Authorization in addition to Steven Abdow's and Susan Olbon's names. It was **VOTED** by Roll Call, to approve the Corporate Authorization Resolution.

**Adjournment**

There being no further Council business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned by Steven Abdow at 08:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen D. Warren, Assistant Secretary  
The Rev. William M. Murray, Secretary