Anglican/Episcopal

Patrick Milas, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Convener

MEMBERS PRESENT

- Patrick Milas, New Brunswick Theological Seminary, Convener
- Daniel Baek, Vancouver School of Theology
- Mitzi Budde, Virginia Theological Seminary
- Patrick Cates, General Theological Seminary
- Susanah Hanson, Trinity School for Ministry
- Brad Hess, Virginia Theological Seminary

CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Anglican/Episcopal Denominational Group met at 1PM Eastern on Monday, June 21, 2021, via Zoom.

2021/2022 WORSHIP PLANS

Patrick Milas mentioned the noonday prayer gathering we had during Advent. Members expressed interest in hosting a service in Baltimore, MD during the 2022 annual conference should it be held in-person.

GROUP LEADERSHIP

Patrick Milas called for nominations for the role of convener. Milas was encouraged to continue serving as convener.

INSTITUTIONAL AND INDIVIDUAL UPDATES

Patrick Milas, Sage Library at New Brunswick Theological Seminary

The Seminary has recently undergone two self-studies for accreditation and is also involved in a digitization project with Princeton Theological Seminary. The campus will be reopening for the fall semester.

Daniel Baek, Vancouver Theological Seminary

A new Dean is coming to Vancouver Theological Seminary and enrollment is up.

Mitzi Budde, Payne Library at Virginia Theological Seminary

The renovation project at the Bishop Payne Library is nearing completion, and resources were being reshelved at the time of the Zoom meeting. The library staff plans for the library to reopen by the August term, 2021. Mitzi Budde also reported that Virginia Theological Seminary is preparing for its bicentennial in 2023.

Patrick Cates, General Theological Seminary

General Theological Seminary's Dean and President has retired. It has an interim Dean for two years. The Seminary is exploring a partnership with Virginia Seminary.

Susanah Hanson, Trinity School for Ministry

The Trinity School for Ministry has been open as hybrid since fall 2020. Susanah will be pursuing a ThD at Evangelical Seminary, focusing on theology of disability.

MATTERS ARISING

• Mitzi Budde raised the question of what others were doing with diocesan newsletters and reports. This led to the suggestion that perhaps Virginia Theological Seminary and General Theological Seminary should compare holdings and mutually divide holdings between the two libraries to ensure full coverage but to reduce overlap and to reclaim library shelf space. It was mentioned that it was a shame that the Episcopal Archives was not functional/available for such a project; otherwise, that would be an ideal central location for diocesan papers to be held and

digitized. Daniel Baek mentioned that the Anglican Archives in Canada preserves Canadian diocesan publications.

- There was a discussion about book scanners, with mentions of their cost and the staffing needs to carry out scanning. The Tabletop Scribe scanner was mentioned, with its costs for general rental and per scanned-page charge.
- Mitzi Budde asked what others were doing regarding the weeding back runs of periodicals. Patrick Milas said that his policy was to weed only if the periodical could be found in two electronic sources: for example, EBSCO and Hathi Trust.

CONCLUSION

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m. Eastern.



2020-2021 GROUP: [pictured, left to right] Brad Hess, Mitzi Budde, Susanah Hanson, Daniel Baek, Patrick Cates, Parick Milas