

Report of the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth

2013 Diocesan Convention

James Hazel, President, and Cherie Shipp, Secretary

October 5, 2013

The Corporation holds title to the real property of the diocese and the congregations in the diocese. The Corporation is also charged with the management of the endowment funds of the diocese, except for the endowment for the episcopate. Your trustees meet regularly to review matters related to our property. The Corporation has spent much of its year monitoring the real property currently in the control of another entity but has also investigated architectural plans for cost effective church plants.

The Corporation did have the opportunity, with the Standing Committee to approve:

- An oil and gas lease
- A real estate lease

The Corporation is also the primary risk management body for the diocese. In that capacity, we try to ensure: 1) all congregations are properly insured and 2) have the appropriate policies and structures over the safety of all people who use their facilities. In 2013, the Corporation, in conjunction with the Executive Council, updated a background check policy for the laity. The policy has been in a test phase in 2013 but a full rollout is expected in 2014.

The Corporation has no possession, control or reports on:

The Diocesan Fund

The E.D. Farmer Fund

The Anne S. and John S. Brown Trust

The Betty Ann Montgomery Farley Fund

The Reverend Efrain Huerta Fund Benefitting Hispanic Ministries

Memorial Scholarship Fund

We expect to have access to these funds at some point, and will inform the diocese as soon as we do.

Finally, the Corporation would like to thank the many people who have helped us with ideas and information related to the recovery of our property and people. We anticipate that 2014 will be a year of growth and development for our diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

James Hazel, President

Cherie Shipp, Secretary