

Finance Committee 2008

The canons clearly define the role of the Finance Committee, saying, “the primary responsibility of the Finance Committee is to make sound financial and real estate recommendations to Bishop and Council and, upon request, to be available as advisors and a resource for all of the churches in the Diocese needing financial or real estate counsel and assistance.” This covers a wide range of financial considerations, and the collective financial insight of the committee is up to the charge.

Whether the agenda item is cash flow, fundraising, real estate sales considerations, budget matters of the occasional new and different item, the members tackle each with insightful financial acumen. Members include: James Harrison (Chair), Marilyn Arensberg, Mike Bilger, Richard Briscoe, Dudley Davis Molitor Ford, George Johnson, Charles “Cap” Pinkham, Doug Smith; with invaluable input from Bishop Johnson, the Rev. Canon René Somodevilla, Lay Canon for Diocesan Administration Stephanie Cheney and Diocesan Finance and Benefits Manager Bettie Cobb. Along the way, Hunt Campbell (B&C liaison), Vice Chancellor Andy Cobb and Treasurer Matt Crow regularly render expertise and advice. Their assistance is invaluable. It is an honor working with this group. Their dedication to their assignment is amazing.

James Harrison