

Property & Casualty Insurance Committee

The Committee was involved in the following activities during 2009 in regard to the insurance coverage for The Diocese:

January: Participated in a conference call with the Bishop, Chancellors, the Canon for Diocesan Administration and our Church Insurance representative regarding Workers Compensation and the applicability of coverage to all participants in the Church Insurance Agency Corporation insurance program for The Diocese. As a result of this conference, all participants were included in the coverage.

March: Received and reviewed the current Experience Rating Worksheet for the diocesan Workers Compensation program. The experience modification of 0.84 indicates successful claims experience and claims management.

June: Received and reviewed most recent risk management surveys performed by the Diocesan Safety Manager through the Episcopal Safety Program of Church Insurance Corp.

July: Met with the Canon for Diocesan Administration and our Church Insurance representative to review the renewal insurance program for The Diocese and participating congregations. All congregations have now had umbrella/excess liability coverage added to their insurance program for additional protection. Even with this added coverage, the average increase for package coverage for 2009 was 3.2%.

July: Consulted by e-mail with the Bishop and the Canon for Diocesan Administration regarding adequate umbrella liability limits for Barth House. As a result coverage was established at \$4,000,000.

August: Reviewed and approved the renewal insurance program for St. Columba Conference Center. Their agent had proposed rewriting existing coverage with a new company and the new program was determined to be better coverage and a lower cost.

November: The Committee met jointly with the Standing Committee on Constitution and Canons regarding proposed amendments to Canon 14, Section 8, which addresses insurance coverage. The proposed revision will make types and minimum amounts of coverage subject to determination by the Insurance Committee and will be presented for a vote at the 2010 convention.

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