

2019 Diocesan Committee/Board Members to be Elected at Convention

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BROOKHAVEN TRUSTEES – 3 Members to be elected for 3-year terms

The Board has full jurisdiction and authority over the management and operation of the Brookhaven Home and School, including the program, discipline and regulation, and the engagement or dismissal of faculty and staff.

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Meetings: Fourth Tuesday of the month in Chelsea, VT.

1. FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – Elect two people for 3-year terms such that the resulting six member committee has a minimum of two clergy and two lay people.

The committee of clergy and lay persons is responsible for implementing and enforcing the audit, financial reporting, funds management and other requirements of diocesan and national canons relating to diocesan and parish financial management. They provide resources and consulting to parishes and diocesan organizations and are responsible for an annual audit of accounts of the Diocese and Trustees.

Contact: Laura Buel. lauralynn.buel@gmail.com

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2. **Three year term**
3. **Two year term**

(at least one clergy to be nominated)

Meetings: Meets several times a year.

2. GENERAL CONVENTION

Contact : Tom Little tlittle@vsac.org

The 2021 General Convention is scheduled for June 30th – July 9th in Baltimore, Maryland.

Clergy: 4 to be elected

Alternates: (To be elected at 2020 Diocesan Convention)

Lay: 4 to be elected

Alternates: (To be elected at 2020 Diocesan Convention)

3. PROVINCIAL SYNOD (NO ELECTION NEEDED)

Provincial Synod is the oversight group for programs sponsored by the New England dioceses and also serves as a link between the Province and Executive Council and other wider-church groups and activities. Synod consists of the Bishops of the Province plus one clergy and one lay person from each diocese. It generally meets once a year except in the year of General Convention, when a second meeting is held prior to the Provincial Pre-General-Convention gathering).

Lay and Clergy alternate unexpired 2 year term

Contact: Lynn Bates, lbates@dioceseofvermont.org

Clergy: The Rev. Bob Wilson (2020) Lay: Eric Davis (2020)

4. ROCK POINT BOARD – One member to be elected to 3-year staggered terms (one each year). The Bishop also has three -3 year staggered appointments.

The board is responsible for administration and maintenance of the buildings and grounds of rock point. The duties include planning for the use, maintenance, management and security of the property and purchasing and contracting for all goods and services.

Contact: Bishop Tom Ely & Bishop-Elect Shannon MacVean-Brown,
President of the Board: Shawn Bryant

Nominated –awaiting form:

1. **Wallace Good**
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Meetings: 4th Tuesday 2 -3:30pm at Rock Point

5. ROCK POINT SCHOOL TRUSTEES – Three members to be elected to 3-year terms

The Board of Trustees has full jurisdiction and authority over the management and operations of Rock Point School, including the curriculum, discipline, regulation and the engagement or dismissal of the faculty and staff.

Contact: C. J. Spirito, Headmaster, cspirito@rockpoint.org

Nominated –awaiting forms:

1. **Saul Sholer**
2. **Laurel Bongiorno**
3. **Garth Allen**

Meetings:

6. STANDING COMMITTEE – Two members to be elected (1Clergy and 1 Lay) to 4 year terms

The Standing Committee – four clergy and four lay persons – is an advisory committee to the Bishop and acts in the absence of the Bishop as the ecclesiastical authority of the

Diocese. The committee must consent to ordinations and to Episcopal elections in other dioceses. The committee, in conjunction with the Trustees and Diocesan Council (when appropriate), also consents to property matters (sale and purchase of land/buildings).

Contact: Rev. Rick Swanson rick@stjohnsinthemountains.org,

Clergy:

Lay:

Meetings: 2nd Tuesdays -often by phone

7. TITLE IV DISCIPLINARY BOARD (Vermont Members) – 3 members to be elected for terms of 1 year term (at least one clergy and 1 lay)

The Diocese of Vermont shares an 11-member Title IV Disciplinary Board with the Dioceses of Maine and New Hampshire. This year, the Diocese of Vermont must elect 3 members (at least one clergy and one lay) to the Board, for terms of one year. The Clergy members of the Board must be canonically and geographically resident within the Diocese. The Lay members of the Board must be Adult Communicants in Good Standing, and registered in a congregation in the Diocese. In the event of a charge of clergy misconduct, members of Disciplinary Board convene to review the matter in accordance with the Multi-Diocese Agreement we share with Maine and New Hampshire. If the Disciplinary Board is called upon to consider a disciplinary matter, extended meetings are a possibility.

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Meetings:

8. TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE – One member to be elected to a 7-year term;

The Board of Trustees is responsible for receiving, holding and properly disposing of all assets, real and personal, of the Diocese. In other words, the Board is owner of all diocesan property and is responsible for management of diocesan investments. The Board also manages invested funds entrusted to it by congregations and schools of the Diocese.

Contact: Steve Smith, President, smiste@mac.com

1. **(Seven year term)**

Meetings: The Board meets quarterly (January, April, July, October), and as needed, in Burlington.