

The General Board of Examining Chaplains

MEMBERSHIP

Bishops

- The Rt. Rev. C. FitzSimons Allison, Charleston, SC (1991)
- The Rt. Rev. J. Mark Dyer, Bethlehem, PA (1991), resigned and was replaced by the Rt. Rev. Robert H. Johnson, Black Mountain, NC
- The Rt. Rev. Richard F. Grein, New York, NY (1994)
- The Rt. Rev. O'Kelley Whitaker, Syracuse, NY (1994)

Clergy with Pastoral Responsibilities

- The Rev. M. Barbara Akin, Grove City, PA (1991)
- The Rev. William H. Baar, Venice, Italy (1991)
- The Rev. Henry L. Bird, Penobscot, ME (1994)
- The Rev. Richard R. Cook, Dallas, TX (1991)
- The Rev. Edward F. Glusman Jr., Little Rock, AR (1994)
- The Rev. Robert H. Johnson, Atlanta, GA (1994), elected Bishop (see above) and was replaced by the Rev. Jack B. Van Hooser, Battle Creek, MI

Members of Faculties

- The Rev. William Countryman, CDSP (1994), resigned and was replaced by the Rev. William B. Green, ETS Southwest
- The Very Rev. Robert E. Giannini, Sewanee (1991)
- The Rev. Marion J. Hatchett, Sewanee (1994)
- The Very Rev. William H. Petersen, Bexley Hall (1991)
- The Rev. Charles P. Price, VTS (1994)
- Timothy F. Sedgwick, SWTS (1991)

Lay Persons

- Charles C. Allen, St. Louis, MO (1994)
- Thomas Bartlett, University, AL (1991)
- Verna J. Dozier, Washington, DC (1994)
- Warren Ramshaw, Hamilton, NY (1991)
- Evelyn N. Shipman, Freeland, WA (1991)
- Barbara Wolf, Falmouth, ME (1994)

Administrator

- The Rev. Richard T. Loring, Boston, MA, resigned and was replaced by the Rt. Rev. Gordon T. Charlton

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Representatives of the Board at General Convention:

The Rt. Rev. Richard F. Grein, House of Bishops, and the Rev. William A. Double-day, House of Deputies, are authorized to receive non-substantive amendments to this report.

SUMMARY OF THE BOARD'S WORK (all members of the Board concurring)

During the triennium 1989-1991, the General Board of Examining Chaplains (GBEC):

(1). Convened at the College of Preachers in October of each year to prepare the General Ordination Examination (GOE) for the following January and arranged for these to be administered in 35 to 40 locations in the United States and abroad.

(2). Participated annually in overseeing the evaluation of these examinations (numbering from 270 to 290 per year) by approximately 140 readers in eight locations.

(3). Reported examination results and recommendations to all candidates and their diocesan authorities, also making the canonically required report to seminary deans.

(4). Attended diocesan and provincial meetings, as well as some at seminaries, to interpret the work of the GBEC, while carrying on similar efforts by mail and by telephone.

(5). Through a Planning Committee, evaluated each year's GOE, its administration and evaluation.

(6). Through subcommittees and individual efforts, revised procedures in a number of ways, such as:

(a). The provision of more helpful guidelines for readers engaged in the evaluation process and of a better form for them to use in reporting their results.

(b). Refinement of the Short Answer section of the GOE so that its purpose is clearer and its results more useful in making the evaluation of a candidate's work.

(c). Production of statistical studies of GOE results to determine, among other things, the degree of correlation between Short Answer data (factual knowledge) and the judgments made on the basis of the rest of the examination, which is largely done in essay form and focusses on the integration and application of knowledge.

(7). Chose a new Executive Secretary and Administrator, after a nationwide search.

(8). Moved the office from Boston, Massachusetts, to Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

(9). Collaborated with groups such as the Board for Theological Education, the Council of Seminary Deans and the Presiding Bishop's Select Committee of Bishops and Deans, in monitoring the Episcopal Church's entire process of recruitment and training for ordination, of which the GOE is a part.

(10). Reported through its Chairman, to the interim meetings of the House of Bishops, as required by Canon.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS

FINANCIAL REPORT

	<i>1989</i> <i>Actual</i>	<i>1990</i> <i>Projected</i>	<i>1991</i> <i>Budget</i>	<i>1989-91</i> <i>Total</i>
<i>Income</i>				
Exam fees	\$69,600	\$67,750	\$67,750	\$205,100
Gen. Conv. Budget	<u>9,733</u>	<u>28,616</u>	<u>22,646</u>	<u>60,995</u>
Total funding	\$79,333	\$96,366	\$90,396	\$266,095
<i>Expenses</i>				
Board expense (meetings)	\$11,969	\$16,100	\$16,395	\$ 44,464
Reading expense (conferences)	51,496	52,641	54,997	159,134
Other expense (office, copying, postage, etc.)	<u>15,868</u>	<u>29,125</u>	<u>19,004</u>	<u>62,497</u>
Total expenses	\$79,333	\$97,866	\$90,396	\$266,095

Notes: (1). The increase from 1989 to 1991 represents increased costs plus a reduced number of candidates' fees (from 290 at \$240 each, down to 271 at \$250 each).

(2). The one-time extra expenses incurred in 1990 are attributable to moving expense and new office equipment.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE COMING TRIENNIUM

Canon III.30 defines the responsibilities of the General Board of Examining Chaplains. They are to develop annually a General Ordination Examination, to administer it to certified candidates, to evaluate the results and report the same to the candidates, their diocesan authorities and their seminary deans. The objective of the board and of its executive, during the 1991-1994 triennium, will be to continue to carry out these tasks in as efficient and helpful a manner as possible.

Discussions are presently in progress, among bishops, deans and others, which could produce changes in the timing of the GOE or in some aspects of its design and use. Members of the GBEC are participating in these discussions, but the board intends to make no major changes in its present modus operandi until and unless it is directed to do so by the House of Bishops, or the General Convention.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE COMING TRIENNIUM

	<i>1992</i>	<i>1993</i>	<i>1994</i>	<i>1992-94</i> <i>Total</i>
<i>Income</i>				
Exam fees	\$ 70,000	\$ 72,800	\$ 78,400	\$221,200
(280 each year at \$250 each)		(at \$260)	(at \$280)	
General Conv. Budget	<u>27,390</u>	<u>32,660</u>	<u>36,385</u>	<u>96,435</u>
Total income	\$97,390	\$105,460	\$114,785	\$317,635
<i>Expenses</i>				
Board meetings	\$ 18,320	\$ 20,135	\$ 22,130	\$ 60,585
Readers' conferences	58,950	64,425	70,415	193,790
Office expenses	<u>20,120</u>	<u>20,900</u>	<u>22,240</u>	<u>63,260</u>
Total expenses	\$ 97,390	\$105,460	\$114,785	\$317,635

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS FOR BUDGET APPROPRIATION

Resolution #A078

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring, **That the following amount be appropriated from the General Convention Assessment Budget for the General Board of Examining Chaplains:**

\$27,390	for 1992
\$32,660	for 1993
\$36,385	for 1994
\$96,435	for the triennium

Resolution #A079

Resolved, the House of _____ concurring, **That the authorization for the General Board of Examining Chaplains to charge a fee for the General Ordination Examinations be continued for the next triennium, such fee not to exceed \$300 per candidate; this authorization is granted with the proviso that fees shall be reduced or waived, at the Administrator's discretion, for qualified Candidates who are unable to obtain payment of the stated fee.**

Respectfully submitted,

Richard F. Grein, *Chairman*