

## GENERAL BOARD OF EXAMINING CHAPLAINS

### MEMBERSHIP

#### *Bishops*

The Rt. Rev. Philip M. Duncan II	Central Gulf Coast, 2009
The Rt. Rev. Barry R. Howe	West Missouri, 2009
The Rt. Rev. Edward L. Lee, Jr., <i>Vice-Chair</i>	Western Michigan, <i>retired</i> , 2006
The Rt. Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori	Nevada, 2009

#### *Clergy with Pastoral Responsibilities*

The Rev. Katharine Black	Massachusetts, 2006
The Rev. Mark Taylor Crawford	Texas, 2009
The Rev. F. Scott Hennessy	Virginia, 2006
The Rev. John Loving	Northwest Texas, 2006
The Rev. Stephen E. Moore	Olympia, 2009
The Rev. Mary Sulerud	Washington, 2009

#### *Members of Faculties*

The Rev. Thomas E. Breidenthal	Princeton, 2006
The Rev. Robert D. Hughes III	Sewanee, 2009
The Rev. Lloyd A. Lewis, Jr.	Virginia, 2006
The Rev. Richard McCall	ETS, 2006
The Rev. Frederick Schmidt, Jr.	Perkins School of Theology, 2009
The Rev. Frank Kirkpatrick	Trinity College, 2009

#### *Lay Persons*

Dr. Mary C. Callaway	New York, 2009
Mr. Duncan Ely	North Carolina, 2006
Mrs. Josephine R. Giannini	Indianapolis, 2009
Dr. Leonard W. Johnson, <i>Chair</i>	California, 2009
Dr. Susan Hill Lindley	Minnesota, 2006
Dr. Peter W. Williams	Southern Ohio, 2006

#### *Administrator*

The Rev. Richard F. Tombaugh, 924 Farmington Avenue, Suite #100, West Hartford, CT 06107

#### *Board representatives at General Convention*

Bishop Barry R. Howe and the Rev. Stephen Moore are authorized to receive non-substantive amendments to this report.

### WORK SUMMARY

During the triennium 2004–2006, the General Board of Examining Chaplains (GBEC) continued its policy of holding a single reading session at Camp Allen in Texas, at which all papers were read and evaluated. The feedback continues to reveal a positive response both to the high level of consistency in evaluations and to the timely distribution of the results. In carrying out its canonical responsibilities, the Board:

- Convened at the College of Preachers in October of each year to prepare the General Ordination Examination (GOE) to be administered the following January, and produced background material for the guidance of readers who evaluate the candidates' papers.
- Arranged for the administration of the GOE annually in all Episcopal Seminaries and from forty to sixty other locations throughout the United States and abroad.

- Recruited, trained, supervised, and assisted approximately 100 readers each year in the process of evaluation of candidates' papers (273–317 candidates per year).
- Reported the examination results and evaluations to candidates, their diocesan authorities and their seminary deans.
- Attended provincial meetings to explain and interpret the work of GBEC and to solicit advice.
- Through a planning committee evaluated each year's GOE, its administration, reader training and results and adapted subsequent years' exams and procedures in response to feedback solicited from candidates, readers, diocesan authorities and others.
- Began development and initial testing of a dedicated website that can be used to transmit GOE questions and receive GOE answers.
- Reported to the interim meetings of the House of Bishops, as required by Canon.
- Greeted the Rt. Rev's Barry R. Howe and Katharine Jefferts Schori as replacement members of the Board, elected by the House of Bishops.
- Accepted with regret the resignations of the Rev's. Susan Dolan-Henderson and Harmon L. Smith.
- Greeted the Rev. Thomas E. Breidenthal appointed by the Presiding Bishop to replace the Rev. Harmon Smith and the Rev. Frank Kirkpatrick appointed by the Presiding Bishop to replace the Rev. Susan Dolan-Henderson.
- Mourned the deaths of Mr. Philip Clark and Dr. Susan Hill Lindley longtime members of the Board.
- Greeted Mr. Duncan Ely appointed by the Presiding Bishop to replace Mr. Clark.

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE 2004–2006 TRIENNIUM**

	2004 Revision	2005 Revision	2006 Revision	Total
<i><b>Income</b></i>				
Exam fees (1)	101,500	110,000	103,000	314,500
Gen. Conv. Budget	117,991	111,478	121,714	351,183
Total	219,491	221,478	224,714	665,683
<i><b>Expenses</b></i>				
Salaries and Benefits (2)	43,291	44,478	45,714	133,482
Board Meetings	25,500	28,000	29,000	82,500
Reader's Meetings	105,000	110,000	110,000	320,000
Office Expenses	46,200	39,000	40,000	125,200
Total	219,491	221,478	224,714	665,683

**Notes**

- (1) These figures represent \$350 x the number of candidates taking the exam.  
 (2) Benefits include health insurance, pension payments, and 50% of Social Security.

**GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE 2007–2009 TRIENNIUM**

The principle objectives of the Board and its administrator during the next triennium will be to continue to fulfill their canonical responsibilities as described in Title III, Canon 25, namely to develop annually a General Ordination Examination; to administer it to certified candidates; and to evaluate the results and report the results to candidates, their diocesan authorities and their seminary deans.

In addition the Board will:

- Continue to work to create examinations the answers to which will provide diocesan authorities with useful information for diagnosis and assessment of their candidates.
- Continue to provide seminaries and dioceses with statistics about performance on the annual GOE.
- Look forward to working with other church-wide, provincial, and diocesan groups involved in theological education in order to serve bishops, students, and their dioceses better.
- Continue working to develop the GBEC website as a vehicle for providing easy access to information about the workings of the GBEC and ease of administering the GOE.

**BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR 2007–2009**

	2007	2008	2009	Total
<i>Income</i>				
Exam fees (1)	106,750	107,000		
Gen. Conv. Budget	123,597	126,533	129,937	380,067
Total	230,347	233,533	236,937	700,817
<i>Expenses</i>				
Salaries and Benefits (2)	47,347	49,033	50,937	147,317
Board Meetings	30,000	31,000	32,000	93,000
Reader’s Meetings	110,000	110,000	110,000	330,000
Office Expenses	43,000	43,500	44,000	130,500
Total	230,347	233,533	236,937	700,817

**Notes**

- (1) This figure represents a fee of \$350 x estimates of 300 candidates each year.
- (2) This figure represents the amount necessary to balance estimated expenses.
- (3) Benefits include health insurance, pension payments, and 50% of Social Security.

**Resolution A148 Budget Appropriation for General Board of Examining Chaplains**

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the following amount be appropriated from the General
- 2 Convention budget for the General Board of Examining Chaplains: \$123,597 in 2007, \$126,533 in 2008, and
- 3 \$129,937 in 2009 for a total of \$380,067 for the triennium.

**Resolution A149 General Ordination Exam Fee**

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring, That the authorization for the General Board of Examining Chaplains
- 2 to charge a fee for the General Ordination Examination be continued for the next triennium, such fee not to
- 3 exceed \$350 per candidate; this authorization is granted with the proviso that fees shall be reduced or waived,
- 4 at the Administrator’s discretion, for qualified candidates who are unable to obtain funds for the stated fee.