

**THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF COLORADO
120TH DIOCESAN CONVENTION**

**Report of the Committee for the Conduct of Elections
October 6, 2007**

There were a total of eight elections conducted during the course of this Convention.

1. **Election of regional representatives to Diocesan Standing Committee.** As each open position on the Standing Committee had exactly one nominee presented from the respective Region, the nominees were elected by acclamation. The following persons were elected:
 - a. Front Range Lay Representative: Ms Lelanda Lee, St. Stephen's, Longmont
 - b. Northwest Region Lay Representative: Mr. Ken Von der Heiden, St. John the Baptist, Granby
 - c. Sangre de Cristo Clergy Representative: The Rev. Scott Campbell, St. Matthias, Monument
 - d. Southwest Region Clergy Representative: The Rev. JoAnn Ford, St. John's, Ouray

2. **Election of a clergy member for the Diocesan Ecclesiastical Court.** As there was only one nominee for this open position, the nominee was elected by acclamation. The following person was elected:
 - a. The Rev. Todd Sorenson, Clergy Representative to Ecclesiastical Court

3. **Election of clergy alternates for the Diocesan Ecclesiastical Court.** There were two positions open for this position, and three people nominated.

Methodology: Voting was by paper ballot, the orders voting together. Each ballot contained the names of the three nominees, and delegates

were instructed to vote for two of the nominees. This style of election guarantees that at least one person receives a vote on the majority of ballots cast. Since there were two votes on each ballot, the average number of votes that each of the nominees received would be a 2/3 majority (2 votes divided by 3 nominees). And in fact, all three nominees received votes on a majority of ballots cast, and the top two were elected. Voting results were as follows:

- a. The Rev. Sally Munroe, 318 votes, First Clergy Alternate
 - b. The Rev. Marilyn Schneider, 286 votes, Second Clergy Alternate
 - c. The Rev. Spencer Carr, 261 votes, not elected
- Total votes cast: 865; total ballots: 433; Needed to elect: 217

4. **Election of one lay member and one lay alternate for the Diocesan Ecclesiastical Court.** There were three nominees from the floor for these two open positions. It was agreed that the person receiving the highest number of votes would be elected to the open lay member position, and the person receiving the second highest would be elected as the lay alternate.

Methodology: Voting was by paper ballot, the orders voting together. Each ballot contained the names of the three nominees, and delegates were instructed to vote for two of the nominees. This style of election guarantees that at least one person receives a vote on the majority of ballots cast. Since there were two votes on each ballot, the average number of votes that each of the nominees received would be a 2/3 majority (2 votes divided by 3 nominees). And in fact, all three nominees received votes on a majority of ballots cast, and the top two were elected. Voting results were as follows:

- a. Mr. Greg Diamond, 311 votes, Lay Member
 - b. Mr. Jay Swope, 300 votes, Lay Alternate
 - c. Ms. Deborah Sampson, 239 votes, not elected
- Total votes cast: 850; total ballots: 425; Needed to elect: 213

5. **Election of Clergy Deputies to General Convention.** There were a total of twelve nominees for the four open Deputy positions.

Methodology: As agreed to in a previous Diocesan Convention, a vote

transfer system (the "Hare System") was utilized in order to elect all of the Deputies on a single ballot. In order to try to elect by majority vote, however, it was decided to first tabulate the ballots as if each ballot contained a vote for four nominees. The results of that tabulation would be used to elect one or more people if possible, and to decide which nominees to withdraw from the election based on lack of vote support. This decision was made by the committee in consultation with vice Chancellor Sharon Caufield. It should be noted that the average number of votes using this methodology would be 1/3 of the ballots cast (4 votes divided by 12 nominees) or 33.3%, which is not a majority.

Voting was by paper ballot, each order voting separately, with each delegate to convention ranking the nominees from 1 to 12. Ballots which did not contain rankings for all 12 nominees were considered invalid ballots.

Ballots were first separated by order voting and sorted by the nominee with the "4" ranking on the ballot. After the results were tabulated, the ballots were resorted based on the "3" ranking and retabulated. This procedure was repeated with the "2" ranking and finally the "1" ranking. The results were then aggregated. Here are those aggregate results:

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	4	3	2	1	Total
Andrew Cooley	21	16	12	24	73
Christy Shain-Hendricks	17	14	22	19	72
Brooks Keith	3	27	17	18	65
John Wengrovius	5	14	14	23	56
Max Bailey	13	20	15	5	53
Lyn Burns	15	11	7	12	45
Catherine Tran	14	9	9	10	42
Doug Dunn	14	5	10	9	38
Andrew Kline	3	11	20	3	37
Torey Lightcap	9	6	7	8	30
Michael Richardson	15	6	1	7	29
Phil Mason	12	2	7	3	24
Total	141	141	141	141	564
Needed to elect	72				

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	4	3	2	1	Total
Brooks Keith	22	63	59	47	191
John Wengrovius	28	32	43	58	161
Andrew Cooley	55	28	27	49	159
Max Bailey	45	31	15	33	124
Christy Shain-Hendricks	29	26	43	20	118
Andrew Kline	17	23	43	26	109
Lyn Burns	26	28	26	22	102
Catherine Tran	25	27	25	20	97
Torey Lightcap	20	37	18	18	93
Phil Mason	31	20	17	11	79
Doug Dunn	18	16	10	23	67
Michael Richardson	23	8	13	12	56
Total	339	339	339	339	1356

Needed to elect

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One can see from the tables above that Andrew Cooley and Christy Shain-Hendricks received enough votes in the Clergy Order to be elected. Also, Brooks Keith received enough votes in the Lay Order to be elected. However, since no nominee had enough votes to be elected in both Orders at the same time, the tables above were used to withdraw some of the nominees. Per the rules of convention, we needed to withdraw enough nominees to reduce the number of nominees to eight, or twice the number of positions needed. Therefore, Michael Richardson, Phil Mason, Doug Dunn, and Torey Lightcap were withdrawn.

Since the votes were still sorted according to the "#1" ranking, it was easy to take the votes from those four nominees and transfer them, based on the next lowest ranking, to the remaining nominees. Since we were now using the Hare Vote Transfer System, the Hare Quota was calculated as the next whole number above 1/5 of the votes cast. The redistributed vote totals looked like this:

Round 2

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
Christy Shain-Hendricks	19	8	27
Andrew Cooley	24	2	26
John Wengrovius	23	1	24
Brooks Keith	18	5	23
Lyn Burns	12	4	16
Catherine Tran	10	3	13
Max Bailey	5	4	9
Andrew Kline	3	0	3

Needed to elect 29

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
John Wengrovius	58	7	65
Brooks Keith	47	16	63
Andrew Cooley	49	6	55
Max Bailey	33	6	39
Christy Shain-Hendricks	20	10	30
Lyn Burns	22	8	30
Andrew Kline	26	3	29
Catherine Tran	20	8	28
			339

Needed to elect 68

One can see that no nominee had enough votes (via the Hare Quota) in either Order. Therefore the nominee with fewest number of votes in each Order was removed (Catherine Tran and Andrew Kline). Those nominees' votes were then transferred to the remaining nominees. After retabulation, the vote totals looked like this:

Round 3

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
Christy Shain-Hendricks	19	8	4	31
Andrew Cooley	24	2	3	29
John Wengrovius	23	1	3	27
Brooks Keith	18	5	3	26
Lyn Burns	12	4	2	18
Max Bailey	5	4	1	10
				141

Needed to elect 29

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
John Wengrovius	58	7	18	83
Brooks Keith	47	16	16	79
Andrew Cooley	49	6	6	61
Max Bailey	33	6	1	40
Christy Shain-Hendricks	20	10	10	40
Lyn Burns	22	8	6	36

Needed to elect 68

In this round, Christy Shain-Hendricks and Andrew Cooley had enough votes to be elected in the Clergy Order, and John Wengrovius and Brooks Keith had enough votes in the Lay Order, but no nominee had enough votes in both Orders. Therefore, the nominee with the fewest votes in each Order was withdrawn (Max Bailey and Lyn Burns).

Withdrawing these two nominees meant that we only had four nominees remaining, but we transferred the votes anyway in order to verify that the Hare Quota was met by each, and also to determine the "order" in which they were elected. The results were as follows:

Round 4 (Hare Quota Verification)

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Total
Christy Shain-Hendricks	19	8	4	14	45
Andrew Cooley	24	2	3	6	35
John Wengrovius	23	1	3	3	30
Brooks Keith	18	5	3	5	31
					141
Needed to elect	29				

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Total
Brooks Keith	47	16	16	22	101
John Wengrovius	58	7	18	7	90
Andrew Cooley	49	6	6	16	77
Christy Shain-Hendricks	20	10	10	31	71
					339
	Needed to elect	68			

One can see that all four nominees did in fact receive at least the Hare Quota number of votes. Interestingly, the "order" in which the nominees were elected was precisely the opposite in each Order. Therefore, the decision of the Election Judge was to "order" the elected nominees by the combined total of the votes.

Our Clergy Deputies to General Convention 2009:

- a. C1: The Rev. S. Brooks Keith, 132 combined votes
- b. C2: The Rev. John Wengrovius, 120 combined votes
- c. C3: The Rev. Christy Shain-Hendricks, 116 combined votes
- d. C4: The Rev. Andrew Cooley, 112 combined votes

Interesting note. The nominees who were eventually elected were the top 4 vote getters in the initial "1-4" tabulation in the Clergy Order, and 4 of the top 5 vote getters in the Lay Order.

6. Election of Lay Deputies to General Convention. There were a total of ten nominees for the four open Deputy positions.

Methodology: The same methodology was used as in the previous election, except that nominees were ranked 1-10 instead of 1-12. This meant that the average vote total in the initial tabulation will be 4/10 (4 votes divided by 10 nominees), or 40%

The initial tabulation, based on the top 4 votes on each ballot, produced this result:

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	4	3	2	1	Total
Larry Hitt	21	24	18	23	86
Jack Finlaw	10	12	28	20	70
George Wing	10	15	28	15	68
Gary Thomspson	7	24	15	14	60
Zoe Cole	15	14	9	21	59
Lelanda Lee	20	15	12	9	56
Jackie Scott	12	19	16	9	56
Erica Hein	27	5	3	5	40
Craig Moseley	5	7	6	18	36
Sam Owen	12	4	4	5	25
Total	139	139	139	139	

Needed to elect 70

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	4	3	2	1	Total
Larry Hitt	38	49	60	34	181
George Wing	28	30	54	43	155
Zoe Cole	35	26	41	51	153
Gary Thomspson	20	65	30	36	151
Jack Finlaw	22	28	45	49	144
Lelanda Lee	49	33	33	28	143
Craig Moseley	27	29	24	50	130
Erica Hein	61	33	14	8	116
Jackie Scott	32	26	24	25	107
Sam Owen	31	24	18	19	92
Total	343	343	343	343	

Needed to elect 172

One can see that both Larry Hitt and Jack Finlaw had enough votes to be elected in the Clergy Order, but that only Larry Hitt had enough votes to be elected in the Lay Order. Therefore, Larry Hitt was elected on the initial ballot by a majority of 1-4 votes in each order.

This result meant that we had 9 remaining nominees for 3 remaining positions. Per the rules of convention, this meant that we needed to withdraw 3 nominees from the remaining 9, based on the results of the initial tabulation. Sam Owen, Jackie Scott, and Craig Moseley were therefore withdrawn. Their "#1" ballots, as well as Larry Hitt's "#1" ballots were then redistributed to the other nominees, based on the lower ranking on each ballot for a nominee still in the process.

Additionally, the Hare Quota was established in each Order, based on the number of valid votes. The Quota is the next whole number greater than $N/4$, which was 35 in the Clergy Order, and 86 in the Lay Order.

One ballot was withdraw as invalid. After redistribution, here were the results:

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
George Wing	15	21	36
Jack Finlaw	20	12	32
Gary Thomspson	14	13	27
Zoe Cole	21	2	23
Lelanda Lee	9	7	16
Erica Hein	5	0	5

Hare quota 35

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
George Wing	43	43	86
Jack Finlaw	49	22	71
Zoe Cole	51	17	68
Gary Thomspson	36	22	58
Lelanda Lee	28	16	44
Erica Hein	8	7	15
			342

Hare quota 86

On this round, George Wing was elected with the Hare Quota in each Order.

Since George Wing had one extra vote (i.e. above the Hare Quota) in the Clergy Order, and zero extra votes in the Lay Order, one vote was removed randomly from his Clergy Order votes, and redistributed based on the next lowest rank. Also, Erica Hein was withdrawn from the election, and her votes were also redistributed. After redistribution, the votes were as follows:

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
Jack Finlaw	20	12	2	34
Gary Thomspson	14	13	2	29
Zoe Cole	21	2	0	23
Lelanda Lee	9	7	2	18
				104
Hare quota	35			

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
Jack Finlaw	49	22	1	72
Zoe Cole	51	17	1	69
Gary Thomspson	36	22	6	64
Lelanda Lee	28	16	7	51
				256
Hare quota			86	

None of the nominees was elected in this round, which is not a surprise given

that so few votes were transferred. Lelanda Lee was then withdrawn, and her votes redistributed. Here are those results:

Round 4

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Total
Jack Finlaw	20	12	2	12	46
Gary Thomspson	14	13	2	2	31
Zoe Cole	21	2	0	4	27
					104
Hare Quota	35				

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Total
Jack Finlaw	49	22	1	17	89
Zoe Cole	51	17	1	14	83
Gary Thomspson	36	22	6	20	84
					256
Hare Quota		86			

In this round, Jack Finlaw was elected with the Hare Quota in each Order. His excess votes above the Hare Quota (11 in the Clergy Order and 3 in the Lay Order) were selected at random to be redistributed to the remaining two Nominees.

After the final redistribution, the tabulations were as follows:

Round 5

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5	Total
Zoe Cole	21	2	0	4	10	37
Gary Thompson	14	13	2	2	1	32
						69

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5	Total
Zoe Cole	51	17	1	14	2	85
Gary Thompson	36	22	6	20	1	85
						170

On this round, Zoe Cole received more than the Hare Quota of votes in the

Clergy Order, and the two nominees split the votes evenly in the Lay Order, and each was one vote short of the Hare Quota for that Order. Since Gary Thompson received the lower number of votes in the Clergy Order, he was removed from both orders, which means that Zoe Cole won the final elected position.

As a recap, here were the persons elected:

- a. L1: Larry Hitt - elected by majority vote in each order
- b. L2: George Wing - elected by Hare Quota in Round 2
- c. L3: Jack Finlaw - elected by Hare Quota in Round 4
- d. L4: Zoe Cole - elected by Hare Quota in the final round

7. **Election of Clergy Alternates to General Convention 2009.** For this election, we reprinted ballots after removing the four people who had been elected as Clergy Deputies. Therefore, the ballots contained eight people for the four Alternate positions.

Methodology: The same methodology was used as was used in the previous two elections. The biggest difference was that the average vote percentage for the “top 1-4” round was 50% - 4 votes divided by 8 nominees. This means that we were significantly more likely to get multiple majorities in the first round, although not necessarily the same in each Order.

After counting the ballots and tabulating all of the 1-4 rankings on each ballot, here were the results:

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

	4	3	2	1	Total
Max Bailey	25	16	30	16	87
Catherine Tran	18	21	23	14	76
Lyn Burns	21	21	12	21	75
Michael Richardson	17	24	15	11	67
Doug Dunn	20	15	17	12	64
Torey Lightcap	14	10	12	17	53
Phil Mason	6	14	13	9	42
Andrew Kline	4	4	3	25	36

Total	125	125	125	125
Needed to elect	63			

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

	4	3	2	1	Total
Max Bailey	46	52	54	48	200
Lyn Burns	44	60	50	39	193
Catherine Tran	37	38	52	41	168
Torey Lightcap	47	41	37	35	160
Doug Dunn	39	30	34	36	139
Andrew Kline	23	16	18	74	131
Phil Mason	40	42	30	18	130
Michael Richardson	35	32	36	20	123
Total	311	311	311	311	
Needed to elect	156				

With this tabulation, we can see that Max Bailey, Lyn Burns, Catherine Tran, and Torey Lightcap had enough votes to be electes in the Lay Order, whereas Max Bailey, Catherine Tran, Lyn Burns, Michael Richardson, and Doug Dunn received enough votes in the Clergy Order. Therefore, Max Bailey was elected as the 1st Alternate with the highest number of both in each Order. Lyn Burns and Catherine Tran were elected 2nd and 3rd, depending on the Order. In order to decide which was elected before the other, we combined the votes in both Orders. By this accounting, Lyn Burns was elected as the 2nd Alternate, and Catherine Tran as the 3rd Alternate.

This means that there were 5 nominees remaining for the final position. To begin the Hare System, we first redistributed the votes of the three elected people, producing this result:

Round 2
Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
Torey Lightcap	17	12	29
Andrew Kline	25	4	29
Doug Dunn	12	13	25
Michael Richardson	11	11	22
Phil Mason	9	11	20
			125

Needed to elect 63

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
Andrew Kline	74	19	93
Doug Dunn	36	34	70
Torey Lightcap	35	31	66
Phil Mason	18	33	51
Michael Richardson	20	11	31
			311

Needed to elect 156

After this tabulation, the lowest vote receiver in each Order was removed (Michael Richardson and Phil Mason) and their votes redistributed:

Round 3

Clergy Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
Doug Dunn	12	13	25	50
Torey Lightcap	17	12	11	40
Andrew Kline	25	4	6	35
				125

Needed to elect 63

Lay Delegates voting for Clergy Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Total
Torey Lightcap	35	31	43	109
Andrew Kline	74	19	14	107
Doug Dunn	36	34	25	95
				311

Needed to elect 156

None of the nominees received enough votes in this round to be elected. Therefore we remove the lowest vote getter in each Order (Andrew Kline and Doug Dunn) which leaves Torey Lightcap as the winner of the final spot as the 4th Alternate.

To recap, the elected Clergy Alternates were:

- a. 1st Alternate: The Rev. Max Bailey
- b. 2nd Alternate: The Rev. Lyn Burns
- c. 3rd Alternate: The Rev. Catherine Tran

d. 4th Alternate: The Rev. Torey Lightcap

8. **Election of Lay Alternates to General Convention 2009.** For this election, we reprinted ballots after removing the four people who had been elected as Lay Deputies. Therefore, the ballots contained six people for the four Alternate positions.

Methodology: The same methodology was used as was used in the previous three elections. The biggest difference was that the average vote percentage for the "top 1-4" round was 66.6% - 4 votes divided by 6 nominees. This means that we were significantly more likely to get multiple majorities in the first round, although not necessarily the same in each Order.

After counting the ballots and tabulating all of the 1-4 rankings on each ballot, here were the results:

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

	4	3	2	1	Total
Lelanda Lee	21	15	39	30	105
Erica Hein	32	31	18	13	94
Sam Owen	20	37	15	12	84
Jackie Scott	21	16	13	34	84
Gary Thompson	14	18	28	22	82
Craig Moseley	17	8	12	14	51
Total	125	125	125	125	
Needed to elect	63				

Lay Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

	4	3	2	1	Total
Lelanda Lee	50	48	76	69	243
Erica Hein	61	73	67	37	238
Sam Owen	86	66	33	34	219
Gary Thompson	39	40	68	51	198
Jackie Scott	32	50	34	55	171
Craig Moseley	41	32	31	63	167
Total	309	309	309	309	
Needed to elect	155				

In this tabulation, each of the nominees except Craig Moseley received a

majority of votes in each Order, and the first three vote getters in each Order were the same relative to each other. Therefore, those three were elected in that order.

For the fourth and final position, we needed to use the Hare System to have a runoff between the final two nominees - Gary Thomson and Jackie Scott. After redistributing all of the other nominees' votes, we got the following tabulation:

Round 2

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total
Jackie Scott	34	36	70
Gary Thompson	22	32	54

Clergy Delegates voting for Lay Nominees

Name	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Total	Combined
Jackie Scott	55	84	139	209
Gary Thompson	51	119	170	224

In this final tabulation, the two nominees each won a majority of votes in one Order. Therefore, the winner, based on combined total of all votes was **Gary Thompson**.

To recap, the four Lay Alternates to General Convention 2009 were:

- a. Lelanda Lee
- b. Erica Hein
- c. Sam Owen
- d. Gary Thompson

Note: It appears that I may have made a mistake in the announcement of the 3rd Lay Alternate. Although Sam Owen was clearly elected, I believe that I announced the name of Craig Moseley instead. I apologize for this mistake.

Summary: In general, I think the election process went smoothly. It was certainly tedious and took a lot of time (about 90 minutes to count each of

the four GC election ballots), but I had a great team of tellers, and we were able to really streamline the process as much as possible.

I think the instructions on the ballots were very clear, and the delegates to Convention did very well following them. We only had about 15 total invalid ballots (and 4 of those were from the same person). Reprinting the ballots for the Alternates election was a good idea, even though it caused a little bit of logistical hassle. I know that in the past when we used the same ballots for different elections or for run-offs, and attempted to have the delegates "scratch out" names, inevitably people would not do it correctly and it would result in dozens of invalid ballots.

I am undecided about whether the "1-4" initial tabulation was a good thing to do. On the one hand, it was good way to look for a majority of ballots. However, it was time consuming, and it isn't clear that it was all that helpful. It is also unclear whether using that method produced different results than a pure Hare method. It is certainly clear that different people were withdrawn after that round than would have been when using a pure Hare system. For example, in the election for Clergy Alternates, Andrew Kline received the most number of #1 votes in each Order, and yet was eliminated after the initial tabulation because he received the fewest total "1-4" votes. This does not mean that he would have been elected using a pure Hare system, and in fact, based on the relatively few number of 2, 3, and 4 votes he received, he probably would not have. I just point it out for future pondering.

In general, I would say that counting the "1-4" votes (when there are 4 open positions) is probably a good thing as long as the number of nominees is at least 8 (twice the number of open positions). This way, the average vote percentage will be 50%, which means that we will have some majorities, but not necessarily all. When the number of nominees on the ballot is few than twice the number of open positions, the average percentage will be more than 50%, which was OK in the Ecclesiastical Court elections, but which could have gotten difficult in the two Alternates elections, as those elections had an order to them - we needed to know who was elected first, second, etc.

In fact, if I were to make a recommendation for next time, I would say that I would use the "1-4" system followed by the Hare redistribution for the

election of Deputies, but then I would switch to using a pure Hare system for the election of Alternates, given the same number of original nominees (10 and 12).

I appreciate this opportunity to serve the Diocese of Colorado. I regret the one mistake made at the very end, and I pray that we can come to an equitable solution of that situation.

Respectfully submitted

Deacon Rhoads Hollowell
Chair of the Committee for the Conduct of Elections