

Policy on Diocesan Staff Membership on Diocesan Bodies



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PURPOSE:

This policy is adopted for the purpose of clarifying the role of members of the staff of the Episcopal Diocese of Utah (EDU) with respect to enumerated Diocesan bodies, recognizing the importance of preventing the appearance of or potential for undue influence on voting members of such bodies while also providing for each body to have access to essential expertise and skills within the staff to support the mission of the respective body.

DIOCESAN GROUPS INCLUDED IN POLICY:

This policy applies to the Standing Committee, the Diocesan Council, the Disciplinary Board and the Nominating Committee for the Election of Bishops.

DEFINITIONS:

For purposes of this Policy, the term “Diocesan Staff” is defined as any person engaged by the Diocese as (a) a paid employee of the Diocese; and (b) an employee of a services contractor to the Diocese. This does not include members of the clergy who are paid by the Diocese, and who serve in a congregational or institutional ministry (school or chaplaincy).

POLICY:

No person who is a member of the Diocesan staff may serve as a voting member of the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council, Disciplinary Board or Nominating Committee for the Election of Bishops in this Diocese. Such persons may serve ex-officio on the Diocesan Council with seat and voice, but without vote. Such persons may also meet with such bodies to share their expertise, as may be from time to time requested by the respective body.