Appendix II Chapter Candidate ~ Nominee Biography and Statement

Peter Del Nagro

What brought you to St. Paul's Cathedral and why did you stay?

I came to the Cathedral as something of a Presbyterian refugee from local, rather reactionary (homophobic) Presbyterian churches on the First Sunday in Lent 2017. I stayed because I liked the spirit, the people, the Cathedral's witness, and because I felt welcomed.

With what activities or ministries have you been involved and how?

Ashes to Go, Pride Parade, preaching as requested, book studies, Formation Committee (Chair for 18 months), Stephen Minister, the Listening Hub, Legacy Society, Parish Discernment Committee training for those considering a call to the diaconate or priesthood (I have already led one committee), Labyrinth walk.

To which strategic goal area would you most want to be a Chapter Liaison (Cathedral for the City, Community, Formation, Music & Arts, Outreach & Justice, or Worship)? Why?

Music and Arts--I like the Cathedral's commitment to enriching our spiritual experience. I also have plenty of experience in Stewardship.

What attributes and gifts do you bring to the ministry of Chapter?

I was a Presbyterian minister and am familiar with committee work and coming to a consensus in making good decisions. As an introvert, I'm more interested in the success of the organization than anything else.

Why do you feel called to serve on Chapter?

I have been surprised in retirement because I always expected to return to the parish ministry, at least parttime. Instead, the call has been to become a volunteer at the Cathedral and serve and make my witness this way. Also, two or three people asked me to serve on Chapter and I felt I should listen and consider it.