

Vestry Minutes

May 22, 2017

Present: Simon Caddick, Lyn Zolman, Dixon Cravens, Vivian Leinio, Mary Carr, Jana Loyd, Jennifer Schmittling, Nancy Hough, and The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Myers

Absent: Scott DeShetler, Joel Perry, Mickey Jackson, Matt Jonsen,

We gathered at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary for a Spiritual Reflection.

Agenda

1. Spiritual Reflection (Mary)
Dixon Cravens is scheduled for June
2. Establish Quorum (Simon)
A quorum was established and Simon.
3. Welcome and Agenda review.
The agenda was reviewed and approved.
4. Minutes of the April meeting
One correction was made to the minutes on the second page the apostrophe was removed from Jennifer's. A motion to approve the April minutes as distributed was made by Mary and seconded by Vivian.
Passed

5. Reports

a. Treasurer's Statement

Jennifer reported that the year to date revenue is about \$24,000 ahead of budget without the \$50,000 gift received earlier in the year. This \$24K positive number factors in the negative \$19K deficit 2017 budget approved by the Vestry. A discussion followed about the format of the financial report. What does the vestry want to see in a financial report? Please come up with 6 things from every vestry member that you would like to have in the monthly report.

How do we communicate the financial information of the parish to the congregation? Do we celebrate that we are ahead of budget, or leverage this information to move us further down the road to financial independence from the commercial loan.

b. Senior Warden's Report

Recommendation is coming from the finance committee to change to another bank. They will make a bank recommendation that the vestry will then vote up or down.

Newcomer's lunch: 21 new people. Quite a few were from Highlands Ranch. Went very well and a good time was had by all!

May 6 – Confirmation of five people at the cathedral along with two reaffirming their confirmation vows and being welcomed to the church.

Discussion about future counting method. May try to scan checks instead of copy them, but not until after we go to a new bank. Mary Carr said she would be happy to help with instructing people in a new system.

June 10 – Helen Durany will be ordained at the cathedral.

c. Junior Warden's Report

Leak in the swamp cooler water line on the outside south wall of the church is being fixed. Line is probably being replaced with copper tubing.

See attached property committee report.

d. Rector's Report

Working Group volunteers from Vestry Retreat: Jana, Simon, Dixon, Ginny Storjahan, Scott. More will be forthcoming from this team as they formulate plans to reach out to the parish.

Communications Committee: Mickey, Lori Sill and Maria Gair.

- This group will be developing the new website using square space
- Weekly newsletter to the parish
- Epistle will become quarterly
- Lori will be maintaining and updating the newsletter.

Staff retreat: Tuesday July 25. Group will plan program calendar for 2018

Bishop's office reached out to St. Tim's with an opportunity to meet with a fund raising consulting group. For 2 hours they listened to Nick and Simon describe the parish and what our needs and hopes are. They said Yes to an assessment of the parish to determine if we are a good candidate for a fund raising campaign. If it looks like we are in a good place to proceed with a fund raising campaign we may hire them to help us.

The diocese has also offered resources to help the parish make a professional video to post on the website and use for outreach to the community. The cost would only be \$500.

Pentecost: Nick wants to give more structure to our program year with 6 significant Sundays in the Parish Life: Kick-off (in the early fall), All Saints with associated baptisms, Christmas, St. Tim's Day Feast/Annual Meeting, Easter and Pentecost. Pentecost is coming up shortly and he will emphasize that Pentecost is a celebration to go out into the world. There will be a special prayer for the Senior High Mission trip on Pentecost as they head off to Baton Rouge to repair flood damaged homes.

6. Vestry Retreat Discussion

Where do we need to be going as a vestry? What are the outcomes we expect to see happen and when? These goals will come through the work of the working group committee.

The vestry feels challenged and energized by the process presented in Appreciative Inquiry. We want to Create Community – Embody the community we want to become.

Nick handed out the book on The Agile Church by Dwight Zscheile for the Vestry to read.

7. Any Other Business

None

8. Adjourn

It was moved by Lyn Zolman and second by Dixon to adjourn at 8:30 pm

9. Blessing (together):

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. AMEN.

Diary Dates

Sunday June 4th Pentecost

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Respectfully Submitted

Mary Carr

Acting Clerk of the Vestry

Corrections by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mickey Jackson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and flourishes.

Mickey Jackson

Clerk of the Vestry