

St. Stephen's Vestry Minutes

April 8, 2019

Attendees: Scott Armstrong, Pat Wojas, Dave Eldon, Corinne Fragnoli, Karol Sprague, Jackie Ingersoll, Dave Stein, Ken Fuhr, Kathy DeCiantis, Justin Wojas, Miranda Spates, Finance Committee Chairperson, Phil Pierce--Treasurer, Sathi Satyanathan

Absent: Alan Giles

I. Checking in-Scott Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Vestry members shared something they were grateful for and something they would like prayers for.

II. Approval of Agenda-Consent Calendar-Add Crafting Kindness to New Business

III. Opening Prayer & Scripture:-Scott said an opening prayer and read a scripture passage.

IV. Senior Warden's Report-Scott reported that the recent Town Hall meeting went well. He has received positive feedback. The congregation likes the open line of communication. They also liked that the Vestry sat in the middle of the room. Scott plans to have more Town Halls. He thinks that we should have a party in the summer. He also commented that Sharon Volker loves St. Stephen's.

Scott continues to visit parishioners in hospitals and other facilities. He updated the Vestry on parishioners who were having health issues. He wrote an article for the Witness. Sharon Volker will be officiating Easter Week and Chris Berg will do Easter Sunday.

V. Mission Focus-Strategic Planning

a. Pat Wojas, Don Ingersoll and Dave Stein are the members presently but they are looking for additional people. They will be holding Holy Conversation meetings in May and June.

VI. Consent Calendar:

a. Minutes- accepted as E-mailed

b. Committee Reports-None

VII. Old Business:

a. No items removed from consent agenda

b. The Vestry will have a summer party at Karol Sprague's on July 13.

c. Treasurer's Report-Phil would like to set up a restricted fund for Crafting Kindness. Justin Wojas moved and Dave Stein seconded the creation of a restricted fund for Crafting Kindness. The motion was approved.

VIII. New Business:

a. YACYM-Jackie outlined the state of the Sunday School classes. Each class has several children, but many don't attend every week due to divided parental custody; which is challenging. The J2A auction is coming up on May 4th. Ami O'Neill and her girls are

preparing the food, Helen and Alan Giles will stock and tend the bar, Corinne Fragnoli will help with item intake. Scott may not be able to make it, so the auctioneer will be Ken Fuhr. Jackie asked the Vestry members to consider donating something and attending the auction.

Paul Hardy is working on a Pilgrimage/Mission trip for the high school kids. They will leave the day after school is out and travel to Tennessee and Kentucky.

- b. Phil has researched a new insurance company for the church, which will save us substantial money each year. Justin moved that we change insurance companies to Church Mutual, and Kathy seconded the motion. It was carried. Justin moved that the savings from the switch be transferred to the Capital Contingency Reserve Fund. Dave Stein seconded the motion and it was carried.

Justin has taken over the Comcast account and has gotten a lower price by \$45

The exterior doors are fixed. Roof leaks will be taken care of.

Microphones are coming soon.

There was discussion of who can check on the fellowship hall after rental. There was talk of putting up a camera.

They are looking into whether to lease or buy a new copy machine.

IX. Coming Events: J2A Auction-May 4 Safe Church Training-May 11

Diocesan Vestry Retreat at the Cathedral-February 23 from 9 am-4 pm.

X. Closing prayer and Adjournment-Scott closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:45 p.m. Next meeting May 13.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Ingersoll, Clerk