

## Minutes of the Vestry March 17, 2015

Present: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic, Sr. Warden Fabrizio Pela, Jr. Warden Clint Alley, Bud Allen, Mark Hamilton, Gayle Taylor, Laurie Anderson, Ginger Bredesen, Dick Cantine, Terri Tsuchida, Liz Cook, Jennifer Sams

Not Present: Dick Briggs

Also Attending: Business Manager Elaine Mistele, Parish Treasurer Fred Henry, Ministry Council Representative Kate Buchen

The meeting was called to order by Mo. Paula at 7:07 pm; she opened with a prayer. The members reflected on 1 Corinthians 12:4-13.

The minutes for February 11, 2015, were accepted.

Elaine gave a brief financial report. February was positive and exceeded February 2014. We are negative \$9,882.08 for the year. Elaine invited members of the Vestry to take part in the annual audit on March 28th at 9:00 am.

**MOTION:** Fred Henry moved Lloyd Mistele be appointed to the Endowment Fund Committee to replace Rick Capellino who has resigned. The motion was seconded and **PASSED.**

Mo. Paula announced meetings upcoming with The Rev. Bud Williams and The Rev. Ruth Eller. She is hopeful Bud will be willing to preach now and then and that Ruth will consider taking on the Wednesday services. Mo. Paula is considering asking someone to serve as an interim associate. There are currently no candidates available to call as a permanent associate. She assured the Vestry that she is not suffering "burn out," but in fact is thriving!

**MOTION:** Gayle Taylor moved the Vestry accept the 2014 Parochial Report. The motion was seconded and **PASSED.**

**MOTION:** Clint Alley moved the Vestry accept the following people as authorized signers for church accounts: Elaine Mistele, Dana Harvey, Joanne Shultz, Robert Pilmer and Kristin van der Velden. The motion was seconded and **PASSED.**

Clint elaborated on the spread sheet he sent by email and will send monthly to Vestry members. All "A" items are immediate priorities. The largest financial item is repairing the roofs. Two bids are in and a 3rd is coming. So far estimates are in the \$12,000.00 range. Spot lights are being installed to illuminate the stairs coming from the street to the chapel. More in depth discussion will take place at the next meeting. Clint asked to be notified of any concerns Vestry members observe.

Kate updated the Vestry on Ministry Council activities. She spoke about her Shepherd area. There are currently 48 children enrolled in the infant to 11 year old programs; a healthy number for us. The on-going concern is lack of dedicated space for Sunday

School. She explained “behind the stage curtains” can be a little off-putting when new families arrive. Also, when special event occur (Designs for Dining, Antique Show, Youth stage production, rummage sale, etc.), all the Atria set-ups must be dismantled. A family service in the church is planned for May 31st. Vacation Bible School will be June 22nd - 26th.

The article, “Growth and Decline in the Episcopal Church” was briefly discussed. Mo. Paula will send out bullet points and asks the Vestry to sent back brief responses to top three choices. Based on these responses as well as “The Strategic Plan” and comments coming from the Lenten series related to developing our profile, the Parish Profile Committee and Vestry Committees will be formed.

Mo. Paula excused herself from the meeting. Vestry discussion on Transition continued. Fabrizio highlighted comments from the first two Lenten suppers. The general feeling of the Vestry is that for those people not attending the Lenten series, there has been constant education for the general congregation on the transition process. Sunday announcements, published explanations and invitations to approach Vestry members with concerns or thoughts allow all members the opportunity for a voice. These activities will continue.

Gayle Taylor will be the Vestry delegate to the Ministry Council meeting on May 6th.

Fabrizio closed the meeting al 9:11 pm with a prayer.

Barbara Carpenter, Clerk