



ST. MARK'S CHURCH

EPISCOPAL-ANGLICAN

Approved Vestry Meeting Minutes, January 25, 2022, 7:30 pm

A. OPENING

Vestry members attending were Rev. Christopher Wilkins, Lee Mericle, Rosanne Tingley, Samuel Ayodele, Erwin Avila, Laura Robey, Lucy Fernandez, Jose Fernandez, Charlene Langley, Gail Soulea and Janis Smith - Parish Administrator, Joyce Walker – Vestry Secretary.

All information for this meeting was sent to the Vestry members on Friday, January 22, 2022, so that everyone could read the information prior to the meeting. All the information in that mailing is attached to these minutes for the record and incorporated herein.

1. Opening Prayer:

At 7:30 p.m. Rev. Wilkins opened the meeting with prayer. A quorum was present.

2. Acceptance of the meeting agenda:

A motion was made by Lee Mericle and seconded by Laura Robey “to accept the agenda.” The motion carried.

3. Review and approval of the minutes from the December 28, 2021, vestry meeting. A

motion was made by Lee Mericle and seconded by Laura Robey to accept the minutes as written.” The motion carried.

B. REPORTS

1. Officers' Reports

a. Report from the Priest-In-Charge:

Rev. Wilkins talked about the EDOW's “Tending our Soil” initiative. The vestry members felt like that this was not a good time for St. Mark's to take on this project because it would require a three-year commitment.

b. Report from the Senior Warden:

Lee discussed the annual meeting. She encouraged everyone to attend.

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- c. Report from the Junior Warden:
No questions or concerns.

- d. Report from the Treasurer:

Rosanne discussed some of the information in her report which showed an increase in income. Pledge income exceeded the amount budgeted to come in at 121.6% of budget. Plate was 165.7% over the budgeted amount. Both VAS and Telegu helped to bring rental income that exceeded our budgeted amounts. Utilities also came in under budget.

Kathleen Counts came to the FOC meeting and gave them some information on what to expect on St. Mark's investments

Lee made a motion seconded by Lucy "to accept the treasurer's report as written."
The motion carried.

2. Vestry Liaison Reports

- a. Buildings and Grounds:

Janis said that Roof Works is coming on Friday, January 28, 2022, to inspect the roof to find out where the leak in the office is coming from.

Design and Build LLC is still doing snow removal for the church. A new contract still needs to be negotiated. They are still honoring the previous contracts rates until the new contract is signed.

- b. Christian Formation and Education:

Adult Christian Education was restarted on Sunday, January 23, 2022.

- c. Communications:

No questions or concerns.

- d. Development:

No questions or concerns.

- e. Evangelism:

Gail stated that she has begun to put out the snacks for the children again. She would like to send out the "Snap Chat" to members who are not able to come to church. She is waiting for someone to help her take a picture of the Episcopal sign so that she can send it to the vendor to get the brackets made to hold the sign.

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- f. Fellowship:
The committee has suspended coffee hour due to increase in Covid cases. Mardi Gras was cancelled also. The committee would like to use the vendors that they had previously booked for Mardi Gras to serve at the fall dinner/dance that they are planning.
- g. FOC:
The committee will set up guidelines in the FPP manual concerning processing invoices within a timely manner so that vendors will not be able to present invoices for payment dated a year back.
- h. Outreach:
No questions or concerns.
- i. Pastoral Care:
No questions or concerns.
- j. Stewardship:
No questions or concerns.
- k. Thrift Shop:
Due to the rise in Covid cases, the thrift shop is closed. The thrift shop will re-open when Laurie and the rest of the volunteers feel comfortable enough to reopen again based on CDC and state guidelines.
- l. Worship (included in PIC Report)

C. OLD BUSINESS

1. 2022 Budget – Final from FOC:

Lee made a motion seconded by Laurie “to accept the final 2022 budget.” Rev. Wilkins (Rector) abstained from voting. The motion carried.

Lee stated that money would still need to be transferred from the investment account into the operating account if needed during the year. The vestry is thankful for the time and the effort that Ray, and the committee put in to completing this budget.

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2. Current Covid Precautions:

The vestry talked about guidelines to use when reinstating coffee hour. It was decided that the vestry would follow the guidelines of the CDC, Bishop Mariann, State and when the parishioners felt safe to resume coffee hour.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Rector's Housing Allowance:

Lee made a motion seconded by Laurie "to approve the Resolution presented for the Rector's Housing." The motion carried.

2. Annual Meeting – nominees, voting:

The Nominees are Candidate for Jr. Warden - Rosanne Tingley

Candidates Nominated for Vestry - Jeremiah Langley, Pamela Gibson, Juliana Anyawu, Beth Walton.

Candidate Nominated for Alternate Delegate to Convention:
Charles T. Smith II.

Voting for the people who will be using Zoom will be done by Zoom Polling. In-person voting will be done by paper ballot. Those listening to the meeting by phone will be able to call into the office and leave their vote, without leaving their name.

3. Interim Treasurer:

Lee made a motion seconded by Charlene "to accept Rosanne as interim treasurer on a temporary basis." The motion carried.

E. ADDITIONAL MATTERS

1. For the Good of the Order and for Good Order:

F. CLOSING PRAYER

Lee made a motion seconded by Samuel "to adjourn the meeting." The motion carried.
Rev. Wilkins ended the meeting at 8:40 p.m. in prayer.

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