

St. David's Episcopal Church

MINUTES of monthly Regular Meeting of Vestry

Monday, October 19, 2020

Online via Zoom due to coronavirus

Present (check all that are at meeting):

- ✓ Mtr. Gaelyn Evangreene - Rector
- ✓ Jessica Philyaw - Senior Warden
- ✓ Doug Hanks - Junior Warden
- ✓ Sandy Frazier - Vestry Member
- ✓ Gael Graham - Vestry Member
- ✓ Vance Davidson - Vestry Member
- ✓ Jake Jacobson - Vestry Member
- ✓ Steve Steinbrueck - Treasurer
- ✓ Kelley Dinkelmeyer - Clerk

Prayer/Pastoral Needs were discussed.

Opening Prayer was given by Mother Gaelyn.

Devotion was given by Vance (the "Boulder in the Road" tale)

DISCUSSION -

1. Reports/Minutes:

- a. **Meeting Minutes** - The September Vestry Meeting minutes will be approved via email.
- b. **Treasurer's Report** -
 - i. We expect a lower amount in pledges this year – please consider this when pledging.
 - ii. Please submit any budget ideas/requests to Steve.
 - iii. Discussion of Diocesan Pledge:
 1. We normally pledge 10% of our operating budget to the Diocese.
 2. Our expected pledge this time would be approximately \$14, 831 (10% of 2019 operating budget).
 3. Vance spoke in support of the 10% to the Diocese, and stated that we should keep encouraging/reminding people to consider increasing their pledges.
 4. Motion was made and unanimously approved to make the pledge of 10% of the 2019 operating budget to the Diocese to be paid in 2021.
 - iv. Since Clean Slate is no longer in existence, the \$500/year that St. David's normally donated to that organization will now be pledged to HERE (Housing Equity Resources & Education) in Jackson County.

2. Senior Warden's Report (Jessica):

- a. Virtual Wine-Tasting:
 - i. Jess talked to Betsy about planning the event.
 - ii. It wouldn't happen until 2021.
 - iii. Betsy has made an electronic manual/document about planning the

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normal wine-tasting.

- iv. Sandy still has an old hard drive that may have the document on it. He will drop it by the office.
 - v. Steve talked to Jeremy (who supplies Eric's Fish Market with wine) - he is willing to sell to us at a discounted price.
 - vi. Probable date would be after Lent (end of April, first of May).
 - vii. Betsy may be able to take on supervising the planning early next year.
- b. Contract Updates:
- i. There will be no parking lot rental to WCU this football season.
 - ii. Discussion: Ridgeline Therapeutics has requested office space here again.
 1. We don't want them upstairs - we want only St. David's people in that space.
 2. We may not offer a contract renewal at the end of the year.
 3. Until the end of this calendar year (under their current contract), we will allow upstairs meetings on restricted days requiring:
 - a. All people in that area wear masks and sign in.
 - b. They are allowed in by appointment only.
 - c. Appointments must be scheduled through Carol.
 - d. Contract may not be renewed for next year.

3. Junior Warden's Report (Doug):

- a. Building/Grounds:
- i. Broken window pane in sanctuary was fixed.
 - ii. Doug did a walkthrough with a contractor:
 1. We are keeping an eye on the sanctuary wall, but think it is not mold.
 2. Suggestion for old cross is to not sand it, but just blow it clean and then put protective coating on it, then wrap bottom before placing in ground.
 - iii. St. David's *Clean Up Day* is on October 31 starting at 9:30 a.m.
 1. Sandy brought some mulch for playground.
 2. Walkway ties will be repaired.
- b. Technical:
- i. We are now live-streaming.
 - ii. Morris Broadband increased speed for us to test and it seemed to work.
 - iii. There will be a net \$30 increase in our Morris Broadband bill.
 - iv. We have some new microphones and a new camera.

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4. Treasurer's Report (Steve): presented via email prior to meeting

5. Rector's Report (Mtr. Gaelyn):

- a. Safeguarding God's Children:
 - i. Canon Augusta is now in charge of this.
 - ii. Vance volunteered to work with Gaelyn to update/keep these records.
 - b. Gael Graham and Sandy Frazier will be rotating off vestry after December (along with an introductory meeting with new members in January).
 - i. Jessica will put an invitation for parishioners to consider joining vestry in the Coracle by November 15 and remind parishioners of it each week on facebook.
 - ii. Jessica and Doug have been asked to stay on as Senior and Junior Wardens.
 - c. Vestry Retreat:
 - i. Lake Logan has offered a discounted room rate for retreats during December - March.
 - ii. The rate is "double occupancy rate for single occupancy" (\$160/night for 1 or 2 nights - includes meals).
 - d. Gaelyn's alma mater has a new priest support ministry. Gaelyn has chosen a mentor (Patty from Asheville's St. Luke's).
 - e. When Gaelyn goes on vacation, the vestry wardens decide if parish concerns need a priest. If so, a local priest will be on stand-by.
 - f. *Vigil for Peace and Unity* will be held on Election Day, November 3. Gaelyn will send out more information.
 - g. Gaelyn asked vestry to be thinking about ideas for the Advent Season.
 - h. Signage:
 - i. The outdoor banner is ready and on its way. It will be placed near road and read "All are Welcome" and have service times, and a facebook symbol on it.
 - ii. Jake researched a new metal sign. The stand we have is fine to use with the new sign. The cost will be approximately \$300 (probably to be paid from Capital Expenditures). We discussed possible phrases, but people will research more about this.
 - iii. Vance and Gaelyn will send out more information and photos of the banner.
- Vance presented the "fun meeting closer".
 - Closing Prayer was given by Gaelyn.

I verify that these minutes are correct to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

~ Kelley H. Dinkelmeyer, Vestry Clerk

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[These minutes will be made available in electronic version to the Vestry Members for approval.]