

Dec 10, 2019 Minutes of Vestry Meeting
St. David's Church, Cullowhee, NC

Present: Interim Rector Valori+, Muff Lyons, Jake Jacobson, Sandy Frazier, Vance Davidson, Gael Graham, and Steve Steinbrueck (Treasurer)

Vance Davidson led us in opening prayer

Information: We noted that the Interim Rector's husband is retiring in Jan 2020. Therefore, our parish will need to pick up her Medical insurance costs starting in Feb 2020. The Interim Rector is meeting with the diocesan CFO about this in January and will let us know the exact monthly cost after that meeting.

Discussion:

- Interim Rector and Sr. Warden reports accepted as is
- Treasurer: Report accepted as is. Discussed timing of 2020 budget recommendations; Finance Committee will meet in early Jan. before annual mtg on Jan 19. Progress re: establishing endowment with Episcopal Church Foundation is in process.
- Financial Notes: For 2020, we have received 40 pledges for a total of \$109,440. This is 2 fewer pledges than last year, but increase of \$8,150. We were notified today that St. David's is getting \$20,000 from the Episcopal Foundation grant for roof repair. That leaves us \$11,000 short and we are notifying CFO Carol that we need to be on the Fiscal Ministries agenda for the Feb. 4th meeting to ask for a loan from the Diocese in that amount.
- Current slate of candidates for vestry elections on Jan 19; Jessica Philyaw and Doug Hanks
- Sr. Warden will craft piece for Coracle this week asking for volunteers for annual convention delegates for Nov. 2020
- Jake Jacobson and Sandy Frazier are working on picking up our new roof cross

Decisions:

- It was moved, seconded and approved that we will hire a parish administrator for 10 hours/week and pay them \$15/hr. Interim Rector has two potential candidates to interview for the position. It was also agreed that if those candidates do not work out, we will advertise position in the Sylva Herald and Smoky Mountain News.
- The Housing Resolution regarding Interim Rector Valori+ originally enacted in 2018 was reaffirmed (moved, seconded and approved) for 2020 by the entire vestry: (Resolution: A resolution stating that the Rev Dr. Valori Mulvey Sherer is compensated by St. David's Episcopal Church exclusively for the services as minister of the gospel, and that St. David's Episcopal Church does not provide a rectory, therefore, a designation of \$10,200 of her compensation shall be deemed a housing allowance and shall apply to calendar year 2018 and all future years unless

otherwise provided. The resolution was unanimously adopted by the Vestry of St. David's Episcopal Church over email on January 29, 2018).

- Steve Steinbrueck will draft a procedure for purchase of office/church supplies and present it to vestry for approval
- Minutes for the called meeting on Nov. 17/2019 were accepted.

Respectfully submitted by Judy Robinson, Sr. Warden