St. Paul's Vestry Meeting Minutes

Date: September 13, 2022

Present: Joe Lathrop, Dana Burkey, Dennis Marsh, Elaine Themm, Barney Rudolph, Christie Swanson, Tom Bowman, Jan Osborn, Deanna Leicht, Marco Shehab (Treasurer),

Absent: Romelle Frey

Recorder: Alice Mulhearn, Vestry Secretary

Agenda	Discussion	Action/Responsibilities
Call to order, prayer	Meeting called to order by Sr. Warden Barney Rudolph with prayer at 6:32 pm. Opening Prayer led by Joe Lathrop.	
Review and approve August board minutes	No changes noted.	<i>Minutes approval: Joe</i> 2 nd : Dana Motion: <i>Approved</i>
Finance Report:	 Treasurer Marco gave an overview of last month's financial statements. Highlights: Our new church software allows for more detailed reporting of line items for income and expenses. Pledges are a little behind the budgeted amount, but he hopes they will catch up by the end of the year. Marco explained the M&O budget and expenditures. He said he has contacted the Jackson Community Foundation to ask about getting the grant that we usually receive from them this year, and they advised that they are changing the process by which they distribute their grants and they don't know if we will qualify for one this year. We should hear by Oct or Nov. Q: Deanna asked what has been spent from M&O so far. A: The Get Real & Save our Youth lake trips, Sponsorship for the Pride Festival, Jax Habitat, and other payments approved by Rev. Sarah. Marco will forward a report to the vestry later. 	Financials Accepted: Motion: Deanna 2 nd : Jan Motion: Approved

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New Business:	 Search Committee Nominations: The list of nominees already put together earlier via e-mail was voted on, as well as possible choices for a chair of the committee. Note: Canon Ellen advised at the meeting with the Vestry on 9/4 that members of The Search Committee must be official members of St. Paul's. 	Action: Barney will contact the nominees to see if they accept their nomination.
Other New Business:	 Barney announced that the contract with Big Guy Catering has been finalized. Secretary Alice announced that the Diocese called to request that St. Paul's host a "Westside Christmas Party/Open House". This will be an opportunity for all the congregations on the west side of the diocese to come and socialize and have the opportunity to chat with Bishop Perry. The Diocese will pay for the event, we just need to supply the manpower for set-up, clean-up, decorating, etc. 	Action: Alice will get more details from the diocese and forward it to our caterer, sexton, hospitality committee, etc. to coordinate the event.
Old Business:	 Update on Choir Director Search: We have another candidate who had a positive first interview and will be coming back for a 2nd interview and "audition" with our choir members and Director of Music Julie. Concrete & Rails: We are still trying to find a contractor to do the necessary repairs. The one Barney met with last month did not submit a bid since the job "was too small" for them. We will keep looking for another contractor. Garden: Our landscaping company just finished weeding, and mulching the Memorial Garden. It would be nice if next year we can have them do something to spruce it up further, like doing something with the empty beds in the middle. 	
Announcements:	 Jan announced that the Diocesan Annual Convention is coming up soon (10/21 & 10/22) and she, Dana & Dennis are the delegates. There was no alternate elected.) 	Action: Secretary Alice will forward the weekly email from the Diocese that contains information about the convention to the delegate members and make sure the delegation form has been emailed in.

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	 Secretary Alice announced that she will be out of the office on vacation Wednesday October 12th-Sunday, Oct. 16th. 	
Adjournment: at 8:06 pm	Since all discussion was concluded, Barney adjourned the meeting. Minutes taken by Alice Mulhearn, Vestry Secretary	Action: The next Vestry meeting will be on Tuesday, October 18 th .