

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields

Vestry Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2018

Welcome and Call to Order- Rev. Mitch Smith called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm and opened with prayer. Eleanor Hodges gave the devotion.

Approval of September Minutes – Julie Lumpkin made a motion to approve the September minutes. Alice McCrory seconded the motion and they were approved by the Vestry by acclamation.

Invite

Finance Committee

- Alice McCrory gave the Finance Committee report.
- She reported that finances are good.
- Alice stated that there is almost 2 million dollars in the Foundation.
- She noted that we borrowed \$20,000 from the money market to pay bills. We are running low on pledges. This is normal for this time of year. This money will be paid back to the money market.
- Alice reported that Adult Formation is over budget because of the Enneagram Conference. The payment is in and this will take care of the overage.
- She stated that the Drop-In is doing financially and may split their money between their 3 accounts.
- Alice noted that they had a meeting with the auditor this week. We will be fine with the audit. One note is that the Advent Festival money needs to be moved out of the designated fund.
- Finally, she reported that the Drop-In Nursery audit is clean.

Mission and Outreach Committee

No report

Mission Trip

Mitch asked Jack Myers and Bob Bell to speak about their experience on the Mission Trip to New Bern, NC to help those affected by Hurricane Florence. They both said that it was powerful and that they were very moved by the experience. They experienced many emotions. They said that the team worked well together. Everybody found their thing that they could do and everything fell into place. They were both glad that they took part in this mission trip. Mitch said

that because Mission is on the budget, they were able to determine work sites before the team went to New Bern. They knew where to go for work orders, so less time was wasted. He is going to add disaster relief budget to the 2019 budget.

Junior Warden/ Building and Grounds

- Julie stated that she is working with Alice to determine Building and Grounds budget.
- There will be a Fall Workday on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon.
- See notes attached.

Nominating Committee

Bill Case stated that nominees for Vestry are Libby Nicholson, Martha Murphy, Nathan Sloan, and Emmett Kirwan (to finish term he appointed to fill).

Senior Warden

- Bill asked the Vestry to turn in their pledge cards early as requested by Mitch.
- He announced that the Cases will host the Vestry Christmas party.
- He stated that the Annual meeting will be held on Nov. 11, 2018. The Rector's report will be given during the sermon. Clayton is working on an Annual Meeting book.

Clergy Report

Mitch

- Mitch stated that he wants the Annual Meeting to be consistent with diocesan policy that states that the meeting can be held 30 days before or after Nov. 11th. He will ask the parish to vote on this change.
- He noted that qualifications for membership are in line with National Cannons. In order to become a member a person must come to church regularly and give to the church.
- Mitch asked the Vestry to pray for the church staff. He especially asked us to pray for Clayton in the loss of his mother.
- Mitch asked us to give thanks at the Celebration of Abundance tonight.

Susan

- Susan stated that there is a lot going on and that there has been lots of Pastoral care.

Before the meeting ended, the St. Martin's Vestry made a unanimous statement that we are completely in support of Mitch's beliefs on sexual abuse. The church should be a safe place for sexual abuse victims. Any person that comes forward will be believed, respected, and safe.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 pm and we closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Eleanor Hodges

2017/18 Vestry

Present: Terri Bailey, Bob Bell, Bill Case, Eleanor Hodges, Emmett Kirwan, Jim Lamb, Julie Lumpkin, Alice McCrory, Nick Montanez, Jack Myers,

Absent: Cissy Grabowski, Allison Rashley