

**St. John's Cathedral  
Vestry Meeting Minutes  
Nov. 19, 2015**

**Members Present:**

Bill Erwin, Martha Cox, Joe O'Shields, Ginny Myrick, Bonnie Hardman, Faye Wisner, Jim Jamison, Tommy Donahoo

**Members Absent:**

Hud Berrey, Don Lester, Steve Busey, Charles Winney, John Adams, Robert Hyde

**Quorum:**

Yes

**Clergy/Staff Present:**

Kate Moorehead, David Erickson, Meredith Cataland, Tina Hutcheson

**Clerk:**

Tina Hutcheson

**Guest:**

Dick Wilkerson

**Devotional:**

Devotion led by Joe O'Shields.

**Moment of Gratitude:**

Martha Cox thanked Karim and Fouad Zabaneh for chaperoning the youth lock-in.  
Dean Kate also announced the passing of Arversia Campbell's sister.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Jim Jamison corrected the minutes to reflect his absence at the previous meeting.  
Bonnie Hardman made the motion to approve the minutes of September 17 as amended. Faye Wisner seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Nominating Committee Report**

Bill Erwin reported that they are making progress and reminded everyone that December 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for nominations. He explained there are five seats for election, and they have potentially 11 confirmed nominees. He credited Faye Wisner with the suggestion that two weeks prior to the annual meeting there be a get-to-know session at coffee hour to get to know the nominees. There was further discussion regarding meeting with candidates.

**Finance Report:**

Bill Erwin introduced and welcomed Dick Wilkerson as Chair of the Finance Committee.

Dick Wilkerson reported that he has had his second meeting with the Finance Committee. He praised Charles Winney and Meredith Cataland for their work with the finances of the Cathedral. He discussed goals going forward.

Meredith explained the finance report in more detail comparing this year to last year. Dean Kate stated that the clergy was working on a pie chart to more accurately reflect how clergy divides their time. Meredith discussed the upcoming budget and stated that it will be presented to the Finance Committee at their December meeting, and then based on Finance Committee recommendations, it will be presented to the Vestry in January. Meredith also explained the progression of the pledge season. It was also decided to hold the phone-a-thon on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m.

### **Reports from Leadership Councils:**

#### **Parish Life:**

Bonnie Hardman announced that on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a newcomers social and encouraged the Vestry to attend.

Martha Cox expressed their desire to have a master plan out prior to the annual meeting. She reported that they are close to being done in terms of goals and action items.

#### **Christian Formation:**

Joe O'Shields reported that they've had another meeting since the last Vestry meeting. He expressed appreciation for David Erickson's involvement and also discussed their goals.

Martha Cox reported that the youth council is their own entity and are doing very well. She further stated that the youth council will present ideas to the Finance Committee and Vestry. She also reported that the lock-in was an extraordinary time. She detailed a game that was played that led to very deep discussion and that they left as a very cohesive group. Joe O'Shields commented that it could be read in Martha's column.

#### **Service and Outreach:**

Jim Jamison reported that they had a productive meeting on Sunday and that he and Ryan Uitti were unable to attend but that Claude Molten has taken over as another leader as Jim and Ryan Uitti will both be leaving Vestry in February.

#### **Stewardship and Development:**

Tommy Donahoo deferred to David Erickson. David explained finalizing the stewardship campaign, which is going well. He also discussed two different learning experiences in which he was involved in October which helped teach fundraising through teaching and service. He expressed excitement for the great things ahead in terms of finances.

#### **Campus and Facilities:**

Ginny Myrick explained how she and Don Lester have divided reports, Don reporting on indoor information and Ginny reporting on outdoor campus information. She discussed the development of the Cathedral Village with historic features and what it means to the community. They are working on several things. She discussed the traffic rerouting project. Also mentioned was that DIA has agreed to banner the entire district called the Cathedral District and what that will entail. She also discussed progress and plans for the Rotchford House. Additionally, she explained that the Urban Land Institute will come in January and do a charrette to help with a master plan for development of the Cathedral District. She discussed the formation of a

subcommittee of leading experts in the city which is contributing to the district development, which is called the ULI Cathedral TAP. She invited the Vestry to come and listen to a panel discussion on January 12 and 13.

#### **Dean and Clergy Report:**

To accommodate a schedule conflict, Dean Kate made her announcements early.

She reported that she, David and Gloria Miller will be reorienting themselves to the Plummer Foundation. They will also be looking at other potential grantors. She also reported that she and Tina Hutcheson are actively working on emailing pledgers and sending out thank-you notes.

Dean Kate also brought before the Vestry a resolution concerning Fr. David Erickson's housing allowance. There was brief discussion and Jim Jamison made the motion that \$35,000 of Fr. David's salary be recognized as housing allowance. Ginny Myrick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Worship, Music and Arts:**

Faye Wisner reported that this Sunday they were going to pass out cards in coffee hour to receive feedback regarding improvements and enhancements. She stated that they have many different personalities and are really progressing.

Bill Erwin gave additional property information. He stated that the bells went back up yesterday. They're back in and being wired, but they will not be officially played until Christmas Eve. He also reported that the sound system and camera work that will feed Taliaferro will be finished next week. Also, the second floor bathroom and office is very near completion. Additionally, the parking lot lighting is finished. David also added that on Monday Comcast will bring faster internet to the Cathedral.

With nothing further, the meeting was closed in prayer.

Minutes Submitted by: Tina Hutcheson