

**St. John's Cathedral
Vestry Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2019**

6:00 p.m. – Vestry Meeting begins

Members Present

Patricia Young-Jones, Forrest Andrews, Claude Moulton, John Sefton, Chris Steilberg, Chris Haley, Jane Lester, Martha Greene, Steve Busey, Joe Kincart

Quorum:

Yes

Treasurer

Charles Winney

Clergy/Staff Present

Dean Kate, Nicole Andress

Devotion/Opening Prayer

John Sefton led the opening prayer.

Moment of Gratitude

Thanks to Ted Pappas for all the work he has done with the nursery.

Thanks to Meredith Cataland for all of her hard work with handling property management since Tim Engemann left.

Thanks to Bonnie Hardman for all of her work with the Discovery class.

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

Chris Steilberg made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 17. Forrest Andrews seconded the motion. With no further discussion and no objection, the minutes were approved.

Election of 2019 Officers

The new Senior Warden, John Sefton, suggested the following slate of officers: Martha Cox as Junior Warden, Joe Kincart as Secretary, Charles Winney as Treasurer, and Steve Busey as Chancellor. Chris Haley made a motion to accept this slate and Chris Steilberg seconded the motion. The motion passed.

2019 Vestry Meeting Dates

Due to the Finance Committee meetings being held on the Wednesday before Vestry meetings, a proposal was presented to the board to move the Vestry meetings in December and January to allow more time for the Finance Committee reports to be distributed to the Vestry and reviewed before the next Vestry meeting.

Finance Report

Nicole Andress presented the monthly report and explained the handouts.

Approval of CAP By-laws

A copy of the CAP by-laws were distributed for review. After a brief discussion, Forrest Andrews made a motion to approve the by-laws. Jane Lester seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Council Reports with Metrics

- Stewardship & Development – They will be increasing the size of the council and are currently working on ideas for the next pledge drive. They are working on a list of the naming opportunities available.
- Worship, Music, & Arts – Patrick Kimball is the new head usher and Leland Pettis is now part of the lectionary. There will be an art exhibit in Taliaferro Hall during Lent.
- Parish Life – They are still working on organizing but have developed a shepherding program that is based off the pastoral care list.
- Christian Formation – They will be meeting next week.
- Outreach – They will be meeting on Saturday and will be working on determining the direction of Outreach.
- Properties – They have finalized the plans for the nursery and it is currently out for bid. Ted Pappas is currently leading the nursery project.

Dean's Report

Dean Kate presented to the Vestry a resolution that would designate part of Father Raja Zabaneh's salary for a housing allowance. Jane Lester made a motion to accept the resolution and Forrest Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Dean Kate informed the Vestry that she is on the board for strategic planning for the Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes (CEEP) which meets twice a year. Due to the fact that the next meeting of this board is in May, she has elected not to attend the CEEP meeting in Boston.

She then informed the Vestry that for Lent the Cathedral will be introducing a Plastic Fast that will focus on three main areas of conversation: using canvas instead of plastic bags, using reusable bottles as opposed to disposable ones, and not using straws.

The book that she is working on with Professor Scott Brown about angel appearances in the Bible is due to the publisher by March 15 and will also include paintings through the centuries of angels. The book is expected to come out at the beginning of Advent.

Dean Kate updated the Vestry on the staff at the Cathedral – she has hired a new assistant, Amanda Benson, and Celeste Tisdelle, would be joining as a part-time clergy member. Dean Kate reminded the Vestry that Celeste had been a clergy member at the Cathedral previously.

Closing Prayer

With nothing further, the meeting was closed in prayer.

Minutes submitted by Nicole Andress.