

**St. John's Cathedral
Vestry Meeting Agenda
November 17, 2016**

Members Present:

Bill Erwin, Don Lester, John Adams, Robert Hyde, Martha Cox, Joe O'Shields, Faye Wisner, Kirk Altman, Lindsey Riggs, Charles Winney

Members Absent:

Ginny Myrick, Bill Fouraker, Debbie Baker, Tommy Donahoo

Quorum:

Yes

Clergy/Staff Present:

Kate Moorehead, David Erickson, Meredith Cataland, Tina Hutcheson

Clerk:

Tina Hutcheson

Finance Committee Chair:

Dick Wilkerson

Devotion:

Thanksgiving, Page 836, The Book of Common Prayer

Moment of Gratitude:

Robert Hyde recognized Nina Searcy for leading the Lay Weeders. Kirk Altman thanked Malcolm for his dedication, hard work and positive attitude. Bill Erwin also commented on the positive comments he hears from others about Malcolm and also remarked on the high quality of the entire sexton staff. Charles Winney thanked Beth Wilson for her work in the Archives and also as a docent. Martha Cox recognized Bonnie Hardman and Donna Meyers-Perry for their leadership and work in Discovery. The Vestry thanked Martha as well.

Approval of Minutes:

Martha Cox made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Don Lester seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the minutes were approved.

Leadership Council Reports:

Development:

Fr. David Erickson reported on the progress of the Development Department and elaborated on the Haas report and engaging in a contract to further the Haas leadership and asked for the Vestry's support on moving forward. There was follow-up discussion and it was decided to present it for approval at December's meeting. Dean Kate also informed the Vestry regarding a large gift received and the positive influence on the fundraising efforts. David also discussed the phone-a-thon directly following the meeting.

Campus:

Dean Kate reported on a grant from the Plummer Foundation which will be used for work on the Cathedral District. She also discussed the closing of Community Connections and that Ginny Myrick is in talks with different people regarding potential uses for the building.

Christian Formation:

Joe O'Shields reported that the council has met and discussed the positive things happening in the children's ministry. He also commented on the upcoming events in Adult Education. He also said that they would be sending around to the Vestry a questionnaire asking each council to provide information on their council and what they would like the congregation to know regarding their council. He also mentioned an upcoming guest speaker in 2017, Philip Jenkins.

Parish Life:

Martha Cox reported that Discovery is going well, averaging about 30 people. She also credited Lindsey Riggs with great work recruiting for Parish Life. There was also brief follow-up discussion that Discovery has been really successful, and also the upcoming Wednesday night offerings.

Worship, Music and Arts:

Faye Wisner reported that there have been lector and acolyte trainings. She also discussed that John Burr is now heading up greeters and that there will be inside and outside greeters to help people enter the Cathedral safely. She also reported that the Art Committee has met twice and have developed their structure and mission statement.

Outreach:

Robert Hyde reported that Claude Moulton is doing a great job leading the group. Dean Kate also discussed an upcoming trip with Claude and others to visit Cuba in February.

Properties:

Don Lester reported on the HVAC system and discussed the need to take action and brought such recommendation from the Properties Committee. He stated that the work would be done during the cooler months and that all should be up and running by Spring. He reported on the bid status and the work that has gone into investigating exactly what is needed, and also stated that a financial donor has assisted. The Finance Committee is aware and in agreement to move forward. There was discussion after which Bill Erwin called the vote and the recommendation was approved unanimously.

Don also discussed the progress on security measures at the Cathedral.

Dean's Report:

Dean Kate reported that the satellite streaming is doing really well. She also discussed the creation of a subwebsite that will contain short videos or writings, etc. There is work going into discovering ways to get the Gospel out through online methods. She also briefly mentioned potential improvements in the communications department.

Finance Report:

Meredith Cataland reported on the budget and provided departmental breakdowns and exceptions report. She also gave a pledge update. Charles Winney reported on engaging the auditors for this year and discussed the work they will be doing.

Nominating Committee:

Bill Erwin briefly reported that they have met and have a good list of prospects to work with. He encouraged the Vestry to let them know of any candidates they should consider.

Other:

Dean Kate thanked the Vestry members for agreeing to make phone calls after the meeting.

With nothing further, the meeting was closed in prayer.

Minutes submitted by Tina Hutcheson