

St. John's Cathedral
Vestry Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2018
Amended

6:00 p.m. – Vestry Meeting begins

Members Present

Tommy Donahoo, Martha Cox, Claude Moulton, Forrest Andrews, Patricia Young-Jones, Lindsey Riggs, John Sefton, Bruce Barcelo, Deborah Baker, Chris Steilberg, Chris Haley, Tom Burrell

Members Absent

Bill Fouraker

Quorum

Yes

Treasurer

Charles Winney

Chancellor

Steve Busey

Clergy/Staff Present

Kate Moorehead

Meredith Cataland

Tina Hutcheson

Guest

David Busse

Devotion

Led by Tommy Donahoo

Moment of Gratitude

Carol Abdelnour for her willingness to serve

Terry Hunt and Pam Searcy for Children's Chapel and Godly Play

Steve Busey for 36 years of service as chancellor

Tim Tuller for recital

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

Tom Burrell made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Bruce Barcelo seconded the motion. With no further discussion and no objection, the minutes were approved.

Finance Report

Dean Kate introduced David Busse and John Sefton to present a Finance Committee recommendation and update on Cathedral District-Jax. John gave a history of the efforts made by Ginny Myrick through Cathedral District-Jax and Billy Goat Hill, Inc. to purchase the now vacant Community Connections property, which is set to close the end of March. He discussed the previously presented resolutions and the ongoing negotiations for a mortgage with Episcopal Church Building Fund (ECBF). He explained a last-minute shift in ECBF's position regarding expenses they would fund and presented a handout detailing those numbers. He also discussed the interest that several developers have shown in the property and the possibilities available. David Busse spoke to the considerations and position of the Finance Committee. There was extensive discussion after which it was decided to call a Special Vestry Meeting on Monday, 3/19.

Finance Report

Meredith Cataland presented the monthly report and explained handouts.

Cathedral District-Jax Report

John Sefton reported on the progress of the Cathedral District-Jax project and presented resolutions. He discussed the ECBF loan, Billy Goat Hill LLC, environmental surveys, Ginny Myrick's salary, and insurance.

Leadership Councils Report (< 5 mns)

- Worship, Music & Art - Debbie Baker reported they will meet next week. She discussed that a focus has been on Ministry Scheduler. She also reported that they are doing customaries on all special music services and confirmed that Robert Hyde and Beth Wilson are the contacts for Archives. She suggested that customaries be recorded in Archives. She also mentioned the immediate work being around Holy Week.
- Stewardship & Development – Chris Steilberg reported that a small Stewardship group has met. The upcoming theme is relationships. Chris Haley explained a chart detailing the work of Stewardship versus Development. He also mentioned maintaining momentum in looking for a Development director. He also stated that John Erstling has agreed to join the Development Council. He also reminded everyone about Jan Karon coming.
- Christian Formation - Tom Burrell reported that he was unable to attend their last meeting, but the council has created a schedule for Fall 2018 and Spring 2019.
- Outreach - Claude Moulton discussed Blessings and a Backpack. Patricia Young-Jones discussed Habijax. Claude added that they will also be sponsoring Church Without Walls
- Properties - Martha Cox reported that The Cathedral School roof is started. She acknowledged Fr. Allen LaMontagne for helping with communication between the school and the Cathedral during the roofing project. She also reported that Fr. Raja and his family have moved into their new home and are very happy. Tommy Donahoo reported that the Brown House is clean and actively showing. Martha reported that the Rotchford House is not yet rented and that perhaps a lower price should be considered.
- Parish Life - Bruce Barcelo reported that he has met with the Dean to better understand the council. He explained that they are working to get everyone together.

Dean's Report

Dean Kate reported that Fr. Allen LaMontagne is engaged to Sally Ferris and will marry soon.

Other

Meredith Cataland briefly explained a request from the Communications Director, Nancy Purcell, that each council provide information/accomplishments for the next Quarterly.

Dean Kate also briefly discussed the potential for a Vestry Retreat.

With nothing further, the meeting was closed in prayer.

Minutes submitted by Tina Hutcheson