# St. John's Cathedral Vestry Meeting Minutes Meeting via Zoom August 19, 2021

6:00 p.m. – Vestry Meeting begins

### Members Present via Zoom Conference call

Jane Lester, John Sefton, Claude Moulton, Martha Greene, Lisa McKenna, Glenn Guiler, Patrick Kimball, Barbara Fiser, Jayne Hill, Laura Lane, Joe Kincart, Donna Walker Bell, Tom Serwatka

### Quorum:

Yes

Chancellor Steve Busey **Clergy and Staff Present** 

Dean Kate, Debbie Johnson, Kitty Cash

<u>Treasurer</u>

Charles Winney

**Devotion** 

Patrick Kimball gave the devotion.

#### **Moment of Gratitude**

Grateful for Bob Dannals contributions and took the Cathedral to a higher level than ever before.

Laura Lane thanked for Fr. Gee for all his devotion and constant presence.

Bonnie Hardman for her hard work for Rally Day and her continued guidance on the Parish Life Committee.

### Approval of Minutes for July 15, 2021

Moved to approve by Tom Serwatka, seconded by Lisa McKenna. The motion passed unanimously.

### Financial Update

Debbie presented the most recent financial statements reflecting through the first 6 months of the fiscal year. The trend continues as over the past months with revenues are trending higher than budgeted revenue therefore there has been a net income. Debbie asked anyone who had questions to please call her. Debbie reviewed the 2021 budget at the 6 month point in the year as agreed at the end of 2020. There is an increase of budgeted income of \$94,000. In addition, expenses were raised by \$114,000 with a net difference of \$20,000. The additions were staffing and lighting of the Cathedral district. Jayne Hill and Lisa McKenna added their support for another Sexton as they realized during the moving of the 3rd floor and cleaning out of spaces. A motion was made to accept the budget adjustments at mid-year by Tom Serwatka. Glenn Guiler commented the budget was very easy to review and compare based on his experience with other budgets he has reviewed and thanked Debbie for her excellent work. The motion was seconded by Donna Walker Bell. There was discussion on the wedding planner expense. The motion passed with 12 in favor and 1 (Jane Lester) against.

Resolved that a portion of Gee Alexander's salary in the amount of \$9,900 be recorded as housing allowance for the remainder of the 2021 fiscal year. The motion was made to approve by Barbara Fiser and seconded by Tom Serwatka. The resolution passed unanimously.

# **CAP BOD Nominees**

Timothy Snyder, William Warden, Rachel Bechtel & Alan Pickert were submitted by the CAP board for new or renewing BOD. A motion was made by Jane Lester to approve these nominations, motion seconded by Glenn Guiler. The motion passed unanimously.

# **Council Reports**

Outreach: Laura Lane reported a Blood Drive scheduled for Rally Day, a family was sponsored for Family Promise. A Hunger Fight food packing event is scheduled for 10/3/21. 5 different tables are being set-up for Rally Day to showcase the many groups supported by the council and to gather volunteers. Work to fund the purchase of the refrigerated truck for Sulzbacher is ongoing.

Formation: Barbara Fiser reported Michael Corrigan is working to be sure that classes are available as hybrid so as many people as possible can participate. 14 different discussion speakers have been set-up for the Parables classes on Wednesday nights.

Parish Life: Donna Walker Bell reported Rally Day was planned as a coming back together but the is being adjusted due to the health issues. Vestry members are asked to attend, if possible, to meet and share with the guests their take on the ministries. There is a Newcomers Event scheduled for the fall.

Stewardship and Development: Glenn reported the Pledge drive is progressing well and the timeline is being met. Most affinity groups are meeting via zoom due to the health crisis. The plan is to run from early September through October, mid-November at the latest.

Properties: Jayne gave an update on the Cool Solutions Report 2 years ago. In the 4th quarter of 2019, the committee issued a report on those items that were considered priorities and requested they be funded and with work to begin immediately. Jayne complimented the group who was on that committee for their thorough research. The 2 priorities were water intrusion mitigation and safety. One of those was items was asbestos inspection as part of any forthcoming repairs versus a whole campus study. Which has been taking place. Lighting of the campus was also a priority for safety and many repairs and additions have been made. Fire Marshall inspections and AED certifications were done. Considerable time was spent on the RNC that did not take place along with the replacement of the external stairs at the Brown House. The water intrusion mitigation is ongoing. Health and Safety will continue for 2021 with the asbestos areas continuing to be investigated and mitigated. Next items for review will be either water repair or HVAC issues. John Sefton moved to allow funds from the Preservation Savings Account be used to fund the cost of ongoing water intrusion mitigation in the amount of \$50,000. Jane Lester seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

WMA: Jane Lester reported the committee met August 17<sup>th</sup>. Jane suggests reading the minutes. Highlights are the 8:00 am service will continue to meet in the Cathedral versus Cummings Chapel. Upcoming music slate is very robust so look for those events in the E-Eagle.

Pastoral Care: Tom Serwatka reported the council has not met since the last Vestry meeting so nothing new to report.

# Warden's Report

Cathedral Cares- John Sefton reported the group continues on their research for the best care of the spaces. UF Lease - No news on the lease. Still in a holding pattern.

Investment Funds results- Saint's Fund is up over 13%, permanent Preservation Fund was up over 26% year over year.

### Next Meeting

Thursday September 16, 2021 in person

### **Vestry Retreat**

October 15th and 16th.

### **Closing Prayer**

Minutes submitted by Kitty Cash.