

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Cary, North Carolina
Vestry Minutes
May 20, 2019**

***Mission Statement:** Acknowledging that all gifts come from God, the mission of St. Paul's Church is to know Christ and make Christ known.*

Identity Statement

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Cary is home to an active, caring and diverse congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina. Through corporate workshop, spiritual development, fellowship and service we continue to grow together in faith. We strive to be Christ's welcoming, reconciling and transforming presence in the world through our many and varied ministries.

Call to Order

Mary Kintz, Senior Warden, called the regular monthly meeting of the Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church to order at 7:00pm on Monday, May 20, 2019. The following members of the Vestry were present: Ron Barbee, Tyrus Cohan, Sara Concini, Olivia Delahaye, Nicole Gatchalian, Andrea Johnson, Rob Johnson, Christa Magee, and Victor Talbird. Bill Gautier and Frank Laney were absent. Also present were the Rev. Javier Almendárez-Bautista; John Goehrke, Treasurer; and Lanny Wase, Clerk.

Formation

Nicole Gatchalian opened the meeting with the Collect for Peace. Tyrus Cohan volunteered to bring a prayer or meditation to the June meeting.

Discussion

1. IT: Olivia Delahaye updated the Vestry on issues with the current phone plan, particularly dropped phone calls. Strategic Solutions, our internet management service provider, recommends that St. Paul's switch to fiber internet with ATT for faster internet speed at a lower cost. The consensus of the Vestry was to proceed with this change as soon as possible.

2. Facilities: Andrea Johnson reported on the Chapel Renovation Committee meeting with architects from LS3P. The committee discussed ideas for use of the renovated space, including worship with flexible seating, meeting spaces, classrooms, storage, and a possible small kitchenette. Certain architectural features will be retained, particularly the stained glass windows and wood ceiling. The architects will consider the ideas presented, draw up possible plans, and prepare cost estimates. The committee will meet again to review their suggestions. The Vestry must approve all final plans.

Ron Barbee reported that he and Jeff Kager and Fill Bowen moved several very large quartz stones from Dorothy Duke's stone garden to the St. Paul's front entrance.

Mary Kintz noted that the Finance Committee has requested a five-year facilities cost projection. The intention is to bring in a consultant to survey our facilities to help with this plan.

The shed that the grounds people use for storage needs replacement and will possibly be relocated.

Mary Kintz and others will begin looking into getting more appropriate and useful furniture for the Conference Room and other locations around the campus.

3. Stewardship Leadership 2019: Mary Kintz noted that Stewardship should not be only a one-time pitch for money, but rather should be broader and spiritually based. She has approached Rick Bradley who is interested in helping to create a "spirit of giving" at St. Paul's. Mary would like to find

three Vestry members, particularly from the freshman class, to work with Rick. The idea is to recruit stories about St. Paul's that people would be willing to share.

4. Children's Ministries Update: Javier Almendárez-Bautista reported that Robin Brown has been hired to work with Children's Ministries through the end of June and perhaps some of July. The Rev. Melanie Mudge will also be a supportive, clergy liaison to Children's Ministries. Javier will also begin a search for someone to work as an interim with Children's Ministries through the fall.

5. Summer Solstice Soiree Update: The event will be Friday, June 21, at Bass Lake Park from 7:00 – 10:00pm. Tyrus Cohan and Nicole Gatchalian are working on publicity. The event currently is publicized on the website, E-news, and in the bulletin, with an opportunity to sign up to attend. It is BYOB – beer and wine only, per restrictions of the venue. Light refreshments will be provided. Rob Johnson will meet with Mary Kintz to discuss food options and budget.

6. Endowment: Mary Kintz reported that the Endowment Board is still working to identify a grounds project in keeping with the plans they have developed to identify appropriate use of funds. Mary also reported that the Endowment Board has nominated Kay Burgess for the Board. Mary then made a motion that the Vestry approve this nomination. Olivia Delahaye seconded, the motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

7. Elephants: It was suggested that children's events be coordinated with the church calendar at large. It was noted that Youth Sunday was especially excellent, with youth participating in many ways, including choirs and speaking at all three services.

Decisions

1. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John Goehrke reviewed the April 2019 financial report. Total income of \$81,181 was unfavorable to the budget by (\$10,576) for the month and favorable year to date by \$18,489. Total expenses of \$100,991 were unfavorable to budget for the month by (\$6,508) and unfavorable year to date by ((\$6,169). Net income of (\$19,810) was unfavorable to the budget by (\$17,084) for the month and net income year to date of \$103,430 was favorable by \$12,320. Month end total cash was \$716,313. Of this amount, \$589,286 is earmarked for restricted funds. This leaves \$134,402 in operating cash.

Mary Kintz made a motion that the Vestry authorize Brandy Satterfield to use funds from George Adamik's sabbatical account for his travel expenses. Nicole Gatchalian seconded, and the motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Victor Talbird made a motion to file the April 2019 Treasurer's Report. Tyrus Cohan seconded the motion, and it was passed by unanimous voice vote. The Treasurer's Report Summary, Balance Sheet Summary, and Profit and Loss Budget Performance Summary as of the end of April 2019 are hereby incorporated as part of these minutes.

2. Review of Minutes: Rob Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of April 15, 2019 as written. Victor Talbird seconded, and the motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

3. Action Register Review: The April register was reviewed.

Adjournment

Nicole Gatchalian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Christa Magee seconded, and the motion was passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lanny Wase
Clerk of the Vestry