

St. David's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting

July 24, 2018

6:30 pm Bethany Room

**Attendees (Vestry): Robert Ward, Ken Harris, CaroleAnn Padgett, Pat Daly, Patty Conard, Julio Alvarez, Orlon Daniels, Lia Bertelson, Jennifer Rust, Rachel Berhannan, Gary Dunsmore , Ama Couch**

**Attendees (Nonvoting): Meron Kelly, Rev. Michelle Ortiz, The Rev'd Ken Swanson, Ron Felder**

**Absent: Lee Hunter, Leonard Ferrand**

- Check Ins
- Opening Prayer Rev. Ken Swanson
- Acceptance of Minutes Rev. Ken Swanson
  - Motion to accept the minutes was made by Ken Harris and seconded by Patty Conard.
- Meditation Carole Ann Padgett
  - Faith
  - Isaiah 12:2

*“Surely God is my Salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; He has become my salvation.”*

- Sound System Update Ron Felder
  - Ron shared an update on improvements that have been implemented and recommended next steps. (Appendix A)
  - Next steps: speaker adjustments and phase I of the acoustic treatment
- Rector Update Rev. Ken Swanson
  - **“What If”**
    - Connect First update
      - N/A
    - Parish Survey David Bacon
      - Vestry members encouraged to review the survey results and to look at the new information presented. Members should come to the August vestry mtg. prepared to share three takeaways.
  - General Convention update
    - Two major takeaways:
      - Women's issues (gender equality)
      - Standing Commission on Liturgy has been asked to create a new Prayer Book by 2024 with new liturgy that is more gender free/neutral.
  - Fall schedule
    - Class schedules have been created and finalized
    - Expect guest speakers on Sunday such as Fr. Matthew Linn
    - Wed. night's Ken will teach a class at Candler
  - Staff update
    - Susan Ragsdale mtg. tomorrow regarding Communication Committee agenda

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- Transition committee needs to be created as we move forward with updates
- Creative Director will be hired to manage the technology piece
- Jennifer Rust suggested a letter of intent to lock down pricing on key vendors
- The Rev. Deacon Carol Maddox want to become a part of St. David's clergy (mainly Chapel Mass)
- Senior Warden Update Robert Ward
  - Year Round Stewardship plan review
    - July review
      - Christmas in July did not work due to the NFCC back to school drive happening at the same time
      - The Homestretch highlight was positive and Patty received great feedback from parishioners
    - August plans
      - CaroleAnne has plans in place for stewardship opportunities
      - Judy Hine and Wallace Benson met with CaroleAnne to come up with ideas for the month
      - Path 2 Shine and Unidad will be spotlighted
      - New Cub Scout Pack will be created with Mimosa Elementary
      - Katie Sailors will provide a CPR class in the fall
    - September-December planning needs to begin as soon as possible
      - Commissioning of Sunday School teachers will happen on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Ministry Liaison Reports
    - Vestry members are encouraged to read the reports that have been submitted
  - Diocesan commitment approval
    - \$2.258 million – average parish income over 3 years
    - Motion to accept the amount due to the Diocesan was presented. Jennifer Rust seconded and all approved the motion.
- Junior Warden Update Patty Conard
  - Building & Grounds update
    - Peggy Fallon sent a template of a playground sketch
    - David reported that grease traps were cleaned today in Grace Hall
    - Dog waste left around the property is an issue
    - David seeks approval for a lighting project in Jeffords Hall with funds that were originally allocated for the Nave from the restricted account.
    - Resolution to allocate the funds restricted for Nave lightning towards Jeffords Hall was presented by Patty Conard and Jennifer Rust seconded the motion. All members approved.
- Treasurer's Report Rachel Berhannan
  - Rachel shared the July Treasurer's Report (Appendix B)
  - Waiting for report from auditors. No serious issues were presented.
- Finance Committee Gary Dunsmore
  - Letters were mailed out in June regarding uncollected pledges.

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- 10% non-performance assumption in the capital campaign and we are within those numbers
- Gary shared the health insurance policy that will be in effect as of January 2019.
- The finance committee is looking into how to make the transition.
- Old Business
  - N/A
- New Business
  - N/A
- Patty moved and Jennifer seconded to adjourn the meeting.
- Closing Prayer Rev. Michelle Ortiz

### Appendices

Appendix A (Ron Felder report – Pending)

[Appendix B](#)