

ST JOHN THE DIVINE

VESTRY MINUTES

MAY 16, 2018

Vestry members present: Fr Kevin Huddleston, Mary Flynn, Dave Bemus, Robin Marzahl, Connie Herrick, Phil Hein. Also present were 8 vestry members from Holy Communion as it was a Joint Meeting held at Holy Communion.

Absent: Jerry Ramsey, Patricia Hoffman, and Sharon Twist.

Quorum present: Yes

Others present: No

Opening prayer and exercise led by Fr Kevin.

At this point the two vestries separated to discuss matters related to the individual parishes and Fr Kevin moved between the two groups.

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT:

Since the Senior Warden (Patricia Hoffman) was out of town, the meeting was led by Dave Bemus.

Dave read a letter from parishioner, Robert Spitzer, in which Robert shared some thoughts.

Dave shared the feedback he had gathered from parishioners who usually attend the 8 o'clock service on Sundays, in regard to the proposed change to having one service instead of two. There did not seem to be any opposition to this change.

The Jr Warden reported on the office reorganization which is taking place in the Undercroft/basement area. The support staff work stations are being moved from the area of Fr Kevin's office and that will now be a conference room. Support staff will be relocated to the Undercroft. New furniture is being delivered tomorrow. An anonymous donation of \$2,300 was made to cover the costs. There will be some updating of phones and electrical connections.

An email that Fr Kevin received from a former parishioner was discussed. The email outlined reasons why her family is no longer attending St John's. The precipitating factor seemed to be Fr Jason's unexpected move to Milwaukee. The vestry discussed this and also other members who have not

returned to St John's since the transition. Connie Herrick said that she will work with Sue Hein to come up with a list of lapsed members. The vestry feels that we could possibly split up the list and follow up with those persons who are not attending. The vestry wants to develop some guidelines for these contacts.

Phil Hein has heard some concern expressed about using Capital Campaign money for projects that were not outlined specifically in the campaign (for example--a garage for the rectory). Phil suggested surveying the parish for their opinions. Connie suggested sharing vestry discussion topics with the parish in the newsletter.

OTHER ITEMS:

Discussion of updating the wedding fee policy was tabled to the next vestry meeting.

Discussion of asking The Endowment Fund for money to purchase replacement Book of Common Prayer for the pews. The vestry agreed to ask for these funds.

The minutes from the April 2018 vestry meeting were approved on a motion from Robin Marzahl and seconded by Phil Hein.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be Wed, June 20, 2018 at St John the Divine.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Flynn