

Saint Patrick's Episcopal Church
Vestry Minutes
March 23, 2015

Following a Vestry Eucharist, the meeting was called to order at 6:53 p.m. Present was: Mark Forbes, Rector, Sally Brower, Assisting Rector, Pete Sale, Senior Warden, Pete Barger, Jan Krumel, Laurie Smith, Mark Stehle, John Syme, Julie Lynch, Beryl Frey, clerk of the Vestry. Absent was: Judy Willingham, Treasurer.

I. Approval of the Minutes

- A.) Minutes of February 23, 2015 – IV. B – Worship Support – Amend the portion of the sentence “intinction cups had been put on hold due to budget constraints” to read: “The plan to begin offering intinction cups is moving forward.” A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Jan Krumel and seconded by John Syme. Motion carried unanimously and the minutes were approved as amended.
- B.) Minutes of March 8, 2015 – A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Jan Krumel and seconded by John Syme. The motion carried unanimously and the minutes were approved as written.

II. Treasurer's Report

- A.) February Financial Statements – Judy Willingham was unable to attend the meeting. In her absence Julie Lynch reviewed the February financial statements with the Vestry. They were received as information only and a copy is on file in the office with these minutes.

III. New Business

- IV. A.) Framework Planning Update - David Yager, chair of Framework Planning, attended the meeting and provided an update. Committee members consist of David, Ted Kratt, George Godwin and Jim Vernon. The committee requested the Vestry consider a name change for the committee and also an expanded mission. The Vestry asked that these requests be submitted in writing before formal Vestry consideration of these requests take place. In conversation with David, it was also further agreed that the committee would provide a written summation open issues related to the Cram and Mock agreements and projected timelines for closing these issues. All agreed that closing these issues in a timely fashion was of great importance.

V. Ministry Reports

- A.) Rector's Report – Mark Forbes thanked the Vestry for urging him to take his sabbatical in the original timeline. His sabbatical will begin April 6 and conclude August 7th. Mark has prepared a letter to the parish. In addition Cathy Camaino will be at Saint Patrick's on April 19th to lead an adult forum recapping her message about sabbatical. There will also be a Q&A handout that will be available to the community and a suggested blurb that will run in our publications throughout the summer.
- B.) Worship Support – John Syme reported he has met with the clergy and has a grasp on his responsibilities as Ministry Leader for Worship support. His next step is to talk to Bob Millikin. John noted that Anniversary Sunday will be May 3rd and Sally added that Pentecost is May 24th and there will be one service that day at 10:30 a.m.

- C.) Communications – Laurie reported that he is still working on preparations for the new website. He has reviewed an early stage version with various life groups and has received specific feedback. The new logo being used on the website will also be used on letterhead and envelopes once the current supply has been used up.
- D.) Parish Life – Jan Krudel reported that the next big event for Parish Life will be Anniversary Sunday and the activities that accompany it. She also mentioned she is working with Cathy Hadden and her group who are working on newcomers assimilation. New persons will be wearing name tags with green lettering.
- E.) Building and Grounds – Mark Stehle reported that the center island landscaping is complete and he is pleased with the way it looks. He noted that David Yager had requested some daffodils in the island but there are no out of season. There will be some planted eventually.
- F.) Outreach – Pete Sale reported that the final night of this year’s Room in the Inn was last Thursday, March 19. He also reported to the Vestry that Kay Filar is working closely with Frankie Vasquez on the introduction of a Hispanic ministry. Things will begin to take shape in the next few months. Mark Forbes reported that Jackie Currie has been asked and has agreed to serve on a board of a group who is wanting to build a homeless shelter in Mooresville.
- G.) Finance – Pete Sale reported that the three candidates chosen at last month’s meeting have declined the invitation to serve on the Vestry as Ministry Leader for Financial Stewardship. Another list of four candidates was identified and Pete Sale will take the lead speaking with the first candidate.
- H.) Warden Discussion- Pete Sale opened a discussion about the possibility of restructuring the roles of Senior and Junior Warden and introduced a model taken from Holy Comforter Church in Kenilworth, IL. The Vestry felt the timing was not right to implement this model but it would be tabled for future discussion. At this time, John Syme stepped forward and said he would be interested in serving as Junior Warden. A motion was made by Jan Krudel to nominate John Syme as Junior Warden. The motion was seconded by Mark Stehle and carried unanimously.
- I.) Future items for discussion – Pete Sale reminded the Vestry that the next Vestry forum would be April 19 and would feature Cathie Camaino. Jan Krudel stated that she would be willing to work on compiling her notes from the Vestry retreat for usage at the May Vestry forum. Signage: Pete Barger said the sign is ready to go and just waiting for Vestry to decide what they want to do. The will begin talking about how to fund. Mark Stehle will talk with David Yager about the involvement of Property Preservation and Framework Planning getting involved. It was also suggested that a second quote be obtained. Mark Stehle will get a second quote. Operation LEAD update – The Vestry will begin working on updating the LEAD document. Pete Sale offered to go first and will do Outreach first. Some other topics that will be discussed in the future is the allocation of gift money and the interior refresh project. How do we move forward?

VI. Adjournment

- A.) A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Syme and seconded by Mark Stehle. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 p.m. and closed with prayer.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,

Beryl Frey,
Clerk of the Vestry

**Celebration of Holy Eucharist
Second Sunday after Christmas Day
Sunday, January 4, 2015
10:30 AM**