

**St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry
13 December 2023**

Present: Jeff Bates, Tom Brzeczek, Bill Cheney, Jane Ferguson, Diane Gustafson, Rev. Roger Haenke, Lynn Young

Treasurer Gregg King

Absent: Alice Burnham, Alejandra Valdez-Bear

Guest: David Dennehy, Chair of Property Committee

Rev. Roger Haenke called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Appreciation was noted for the following: to Ray Contreras for wrapping up the Weizer Trust for St. John's, to any and all who contributed to the success of the Christmas party, to Sue Povondra for bringing the "snowballs" for the Christmas party, to Tim Attaway who arranged for the gifts for twelve children, to David Dennehy who headed the Marines Toy for Tots campaign.

Lynn Young moved, Tom Brzeczek seconded approval of the Consent Agenda (Vestry minutes for November meeting, Rector's Monthly Operations Report for November, Property Committee report on water heater replacement). The motion passed unanimously.

Gregg King gave the Treasurer's report. Financials are filed with these minutes in the Vestry binder in the Church Office. The proposed budget was reviewed. Jane Ferguson moved, Jeff Bates seconded to approve the 2024 budget. The motion passed unanimously, and the budget will be presented to the congregation at the Annual Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

La Misa in English will continue in 2024. Budgeted funds are included in Outreach.

The Weizer Trust has been estimated to bring \$922,883.60 to St. John's. Ray Contreras has been in communication with the trust

attorney. The check will be FEDEX'd in a day or two or perhaps early next week.

Two options for the house at 316 First Avenue were discussed. Option 1 was to sell as is with no inspection. Option 2 was to sell as is with a full or limited inspection. Lynn Young moved to proceed with the sale "as is", no inspection. Jeff Bates seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Bill Cheney moved, Tom Brzeczek seconded contacting Anna's Attic to hold an estate sale. The motion passed unanimously. (Anna's Attic has helped St. John's twice in the past with junk removal.)

Jewelry will be sold separately.

At this time the Stewardship Campaign has resulted in 45 pledges for \$148,282. With the conclusion of the Stewardship Campaign, the Capital Campaign can move forward. Canon Jason Evers will be contacted for advice.

With the trust check in the bank, St. John's can go ahead with the new roof, now tentatively scheduled to start on January 2. David Dennehy and Tom Brzeczek will oversee the project.

Diane Gustafson moved, Jane Ferguson seconded to discontinue the 11 a.m. liturgy at the end of December. It was a good pilot program and was given adequate time, but the number of attendees was consistently small and no one was willing to serve as ushers, Altar Guild, etc. The motion passed with one nay.

NEW BUSINESS:

The following Vestry members have concluded their terms: Jane Ferguson, Alejandra Valdez-Ber, and Lynn Young. The Vestry will present the following slate at the Annual Meeting (parishioners are being encouraged to add their names): David Dennehy, Alejandra Valdez-Ber, Lynn Young.

Following an Executive Session, let the record show an approved 3% increase for staff as recommended by the Diocese and a 4% increase in total compensation for Rev. Roger Haenke.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Diane Gustafson, Clerk of Vestry