

St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry

September 26, 2023

Vestry Present: Jeff Bates, Alice Burnham, Tom Brzeczek, Bill Cheney, Jane Ferguson, Rev. Roger Haenke, Lynn Young

Vestry Absent: Pamela Brittain, Diane Gustafson, Alex Valdez-Beer

Present: Assistant Treasurer Terry Farrelly

Rev. Roger Haenke called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

The following appreciations were noted: Jane Ferguson for chairing and coordinating the recognition for Cheryl Seppala's 50th anniversary at St. John's, the committee who assisted in the celebration and the reception for Cheryl, and Ray Contreras for his many donated hours of legal advice and preparation as St. John's Chancellor.

Jane Ferguson moved, Tom Brzeczek seconded approval of the Consent Agenda with the addition of two items to the Outreach Committee report: the Diocese requested toiletries, diapers, etc., for homeless migrants crossing the Mexico-US border, and the committee provided assistance with some of the items in supply; ECS is going to have a Pumpkin Patch again this year for the Head Start children to visit and enjoy, so Outreach will ask for pumpkin donations. (Rector's Monthly Operations Report, Outreach Committee Report, Property Committee Report). The motion passed.

Terry Farrelly reviewed the Treasurer's Report for August, a copy of which will be available with these minutes in the Vestry Binder in the Church Office. The Treasurer's Report was received and filled for audit.

La Misa in English will be on October 5 and will recognize the many contributions of Hispanic/Latinos with food, music and other special activities. All are welcome and encouraged to attend the celebration and to bring a friend.

Regarding the Kathy D. Weizer Trust with St. John's as beneficiary:

The Standing Committee of the San Diego Diocese has approved St. John's request to sell the property with the intent to invest the proceeds.

It has been determined that the proceeds from the bequest can be deposited in a new account opened for that purpose in St. John's current banking institution, Neighborhood National Bank. The proceeds in the new account will be covered by FDIC insurance through a program called ICF-FDIC Insurance Program that allows for more than \$250,000 in deposits to be insured. This is a temporary measure until the funds are invested and managed by the Diocesan Investment Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

The Stewardship Campaign was discussed along with the need to consider a Capital Campaign to pay for a new roof and the many air conditioning units that need to be replaced in St. John's facilities.

A preliminary budget for 2024 will be created based on actuals through August 2023.

Rev. Roger asked for Vestry volunteers to serve on either or both committees. Lynn Young, Gregg King and Jeff Bates volunteered to serve on the Stewardship Campaign Committee. Jane Ferguson and Tom Brzeczek volunteered to serve on the Capital Campaign Committee. Terry Farrelly will serve on either committee but cannot chair either one. Rev. Roger will ask for volunteers from the congregation and will also look for people to chair or co-chair each committee.

Four hosts are needed for Stewardship Parish Gatherings-one could be in Nale Hall.

The following people volunteered to host a gathering: Tom Brzeczek, Gregg and Elizabeth King, and Roger Haenke and Jeff Bates (Nale Hall). Rev. Roger will seek a fourth home host.

The next Vestry meeting will be on October 25, 2023 at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Lynn Young, Recorder for

Diane Gustafson, Clerk of the Vestry