

Approved online September 3, 2019

St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry 28 August 2019

Present: Fr. Tom Wilson, Terry Farrelly, David Dennehy, Karen Duignan, Diane Gustafson, Jim McDevitt, Judy McKay, Pamela Brittain, Lynn Young

Absent: Ray Contreras, Mark Jordan

Guests: Judy Butcher, Bob Dunn

Junior Warden David Dennehy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Fr. Tom Wilson led the brief opening service.

Bob Dunn gave a presentation on the recent Stewardship Workshop and was assisted by Fr. Tom Wilson, Terry Farrelly, and Diane Gustafson, who had also attended. There was significant discussion. Vestry members were asked to pray about heading the Stewardship Committee for the coming year; ideally there would be a team of two or three.

The July minutes had been approved online on July 28.

Jim McDevitt asked that the Financial Report be removed from the Consent Agenda in order to ask some clarifying questions. Lynn Young requested that the Calling Committee Report be removed from the Consent Agenda so that an update could be provided.

Lynn Young moved acceptance of the Consent Agenda, consisting of Audit Review Report, Priest's Report, and Junior Warden's Report. Judy McKay seconded, and the motion passed.

There was clarification of part of the Financial Report, and Lynn Young offered an update to the Calling Committee Report, saying that one candidate has been sent the preliminary six questions. Potential candidates contact the Diocese initially, not St. John's directly. Bob Dunn is the voice of the Calling Committee and will update the parish on the work of the Calling Committee on at least the first Sunday of each month.

OLD BUSINESS

Ray Contreras was absent and unable to report on the Fonte property acquisition and the Playground Fund petition. Fr. Tom Wilson reported on the status of these two agenda items. A letter has been prepared asking the Fonte property owner to sign off to get information from the City concerning the survey. Ray Contreras

has developed language for the Vestry to look at in order to petition the judge about using the Playground Fund for another purpose. The resulting letter will go to the Chancellor before going to the judge.

Fr. Tom Wilson reported that only one person attended the review of the By-Laws that was offered on a recent Sunday. Lynn Young moved, Jim McDevitt seconded approval of the By-Laws revision, and the motion passed. The draft revision will be sent next to Bishop Susan and the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and the parish will vote at the Annual Meeting in January 2020.

ONGOING OLD BUSINESS

Fr. Tom Wilson reported a possible buyer for the stairs up to the stage but not for the stage. He has contacted other churches in our Diocese, as well as other Protestant churches in the area, about the red acolyte/children's choir robes and the day school textbooks but found no interest, so these things will go onto Craigslist.

Vestry members were reminded to submit their completion certificates for Safeguarding God's People to Maria Love in the Church Office.

NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion of the proposal to hold House Meetings as a follow-up to the CAT survey. All were in agreement to move forward with the proposal. Fr. Tom Wilson circulated a sign-up sheet for Vestry members to choose House Meetings to either lead or take notes. Hopefully all House Meetings will be completed by Thanksgiving.

David Dennehy announced rescheduling of the Parish Council meeting for Saturday, September 14, at 9 a.m. in Nale Hall.

Karen Duignan reported that St. John's will pay approximately \$300 for Rev. Cathey Dowdle to attend a clergy conference in Temecula.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Diane Gustafson
Clerk of Vestry