

Saint Andrew's Vestry Minutes
15 February 2022

Present: Anne McCausland (Senior Warden), Rev. Reed Loy, Jim Whinn, Clarke Kidder (Junior Warden), Betsy Wilder (Chaplain), Lucy Crichton, Randy Galinat, Paul Jones, Judy White, Trish Chandler, Steve Largy, Steve Trafton, Susan Youngs (Clerk)

Absent: Diane Les Becquets

Meeting called to order at 7:03

Opening Prayer and Reflection: Betsy Wilder and Reed. Review and discussion of the Emmaus story: where are we in the story? Where are various ministries of Saint Andrew's in the story?

Consent Agenda: Jim moved to accept the consent agenda (reports from Family Promise, Friendly Kitchen, Making Your Mark Camp, and Formation Committee.) Betsy seconded. Approved unanimously.

Accepting Minutes from Last Meeting: Lucy moved to accept. Judy seconded. Jim pointed out a few edits needed. (Those have been sent to the last clerk for inclusion.) Approved with two abstentions.

New Vestry Orientation:

- Understanding the Balance Sheet and the Budget: Lauren Tennett ran through these two parts of our financial reports helping us to make sense of them.
- Get-to-Know Conversation: we each shared our names, how long we've been at St. Andrew's, why we agreed to join the vestry, and one question we'd ask Jesus if we had the chance.
- The Function of a Vestry: Reed gave us a handout summarizing the four attributes of a vestry: Prayer, Fiduciary, Strategic, and Generative responsibilities. We also ran through how the agenda works and some norms for vestry conversation.
- Committee Liaisons: Anne ran through the liaison assignments, and asked each pair to put together a job description.
 - Building and Grounds: Clarke Kidder and Paul Jones
 - Finance: Jim Whinn and Judy White
 - Parish Life: Betsy Wilder and Susan Youngs
 - Community Outreach: Lucy Crichton and Trish Chandler
 - Stewardship: Anne McCausland and Steve Largy
 - Formation: Diane Les Becquets
 - Worship: Steve Trafton and Randy Galinat
- Renewal Works and the Road to Emmaus: Since we already discussed the Emmaus story, Reed summarized the Renewal Works next steps: embedding scripture more, practicing being on a spiritual journey together, building a rule of life (what spiritual practices are most appropriate for us here at St. Andrew's), and singing.

- The Capital Campaign: the Vestry has now handed off most of this to the Capital Campaign Committee, but we'll need to stay informed on the progress. After Bob Wilson returns the Feasibility Study, the Vestry will have a final discussion of the scope of the campaign.
- Safe Church Training (Anne): all vestry members must be "safe church" trained. The training is online, so this can be done easily. Kim Wertz will set this up for us.

Old Business:

- Loose Plate Designations:
 - March/April: Trish moved we choose Ascentria Care Alliance. Jim seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - May/June: Lucy moved we choose Second Start in Concord. Judy seconded. Unanimously approved.
- Treasurer Jim presented the January Financial Report that needed to be amended. Jim moved to receive the amended January report. Randy seconded. Unanimous. Randy moved to approve the amended annual budget. Steve seconded. Unanimous.

(Clarke moved that we extend the meeting time ten minutes. Randy seconded. Unanimous.)

- Money for the steeple repair: should we take the \$15,000 from the checking account or from investment accounts. This will be decided at next month's meeting.

New Business:

- Parochial Report: Jim moved to certify the Parochial Report as amended. Lucy seconded. Unanimous.

Upcoming special celebrations/events/dates: as in the agenda.

Thank-you cards: Lauren Tennett for her help with the budget (written by Jim). Kim Wertz for her new role (written by Lucy).

Closing Prayer: Betsy read a Maya Angelou poem, since February is Black History Month.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14.