## The Episcopal Church of St. Martin, Davis Vestry Meeting June 8, 7:00-9:00 pm via Zoom approved minutes

Present: Rector Pamela Dolan, Josy Miller, Stan Forbes, Nick Buxton, Bob Polkinghorn, Elise Keddie, Jessie Ann Owens, Gabe Avila, Ann Liu, Sarah Conning, Janet Thompson, Julie Knudsen, Elizabeth Young, Rev. Margaret Grayden Absent:

- I. Opening Prayer/Spiritual Practice Pamela 20 minutes (7-7:20)
- II. ACTION: Approval of the Draft Agenda
  Motion to change the order: Item XI was moved up to the fourth position to accommodate the visitors from the Social Justice and Outreach Committee. M/S/P
- III. ACTION: Approval of Minutes of May 11 meeting M/S/P
- IV. ACTION ITEM: Approval of Response to Social Justice and Outreach Josy welcomed members of the Social Justice and Outreach Committee (chair: Adam Russ) and invited response to the draft of the Vestry's Draft Recommendations. The document was not intended to set policy but rather to respond to the objections raised by SJ&O at their previous meeting and to invite continued discussion. There were five recommendations, of which the first (Vestry liaison to SJ&O) and fifth (compilation of data concerning grants over a five-year period) were already implemented. There was extensive discussion of the remaining items (more detailed criteria for decisions on grants, reserve a portion of the available funding for discussion in September, discussion of the status of "mission partners" (organizations that receive funding every year). The motion to forward the draft recommendations to SJ&O, amended to specify a reserve of \$5,000, passed, with two opposed.
- ACTION ITEM: Approval of Revisions to the Gift Policy (approved September 2018, revision approved June 2020)
  M/S/P
- VI. ACTION ITEM: Discussion and Approval of a Conflict of Interest Policy
  Following an extended discussion, the motion to approve was withdrawn and the policy will be revised and brought back to a subsequent meeting.
- VII. ACTION ITEM: Approval of MMR Expenses

In accordance with the recently established budget process, the Vestry's approval was sought for the expenses associated with MMR (\$1000) because they were not in the approved budget. In the future, the cost for MMR will be determined at the outset of the process and be part of the annual budget. The treasurer recommended that the costs be charged to operating expenses.

- VIII. ACTION ITEM: Changes to the Rector's Home Loan Fund This resolution closes a small fund invested with the Diocese and transfers the funds to First Northern Trust; it will continued to be listed as an asset in line 331, Rector's Home Loan Fund. M/S/P
- IX. REPORT: May financial statement Julie reported good news. Giving is holding up, even during a pandemic. She will report on utility costs at the next meeting; we should be seeing savings from the new solar installation.
- X. REPORT: Regathering Task Force Pamela reported on the membership (Maria Acuna-Feldman, Chris Reynolds, Elise Keddie and Gabe Avila, with others to be invited to join when additional expertise is needed) and beginning of the task force. A critical first task is to prepare a budget request for the next Vestry meeting
- XI. REPORT: Mutual Ministry Review Next Steps The final meeting of the Mutual Ministry Review Team will be held on June 15. Bob will write up a report for the parish in the June Vestry News and Review, with a formal report to follow.
- XII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA Josy 5 minutes (8:55)
- XIII. Closing Prayer Margaret

## <u>Exhibits</u>

Draft Minutes of May 11, 2020 meeting Gift Policy (proposed revision to policy approved September 2018) Conflict of Interest draft policy Rector's Home Loan Fund Proposal May 2020 financial report MMR Parish Goals 2020; Reports on Current Goals Draft Vestry Response to SJO; SJO Minutes May 5 meeting; Matthew 25 Grant Program 2014-2019 Reports for the Consent agenda [Rector's Report] Deacon's Report Buildings and Grounds Formation All Are Welcome