Episcopal Church of St. Martin, Davis Vestry Meeting Minutes October 21, 2024 7:04PM - 8:58PM, Parish Library

Present: Diane Bamforth, Beth Capell (Jr. Warden), Rev. Pamela Dolan (Rector),

Jim Jordan, Elise Keddie, Susan Stone, Neil Willits (Sr. Warden)

Guests: Gabe Avila (Assistant Clerk), Randy Demary, Ven. Margaret Grayden,

Absent: Ben Eustis-Guthrie, Eric Jordan, Tony Miller, Jessie Ann Owens

(Treasurer), Tom Young

1. Vote to Approve Agenda for October 21, 2024

a. Jim introduced and Diane seconded a motion to approve the October 21, 2024, Vestry meeting agenda, amended to include reminders about pledges and additional updates on SJ&O in the Senior Warden's report. This motion passed unanimously, with no abstentions.

2. Opening Prayer & Spiritual Practice

a. The Rev. Pamela led Compline adapted from Daily Prayer for All Seasons.

3. Vote to Approve Minutes for September 16, 2024

a. Elise introduced and Beth seconded a motion to approve the September 16, 2024, meeting minutes as distributed in the packet. This motion passed unanimously, with no abstentions.

4. REPORT: Capital Needs Discernment Committee Report

a. Elise shared updates on the committee's progress since the last Vestry meeting. The committee is adapting the Rooted Good program to make it less about a social enterprise and more about how we use our space and how we might want to change or improve it in the future, based on our mission. The committee discussed core values and the need to organize capital needs into short term, medium term, and long-term items. Discussion also included changes in the parish over time and the need for input from both ministry and community users of the grounds. Next steps include looking at physical space use.

5. DISCUSSION: Discernment and Core Values

a. Pamela led the Vestry in discerning core values. Vestry members shared three meaningful experiences they have experienced at St. Martin's and identified the core values related to those experiences. Some values of note that were repeated were tradition, welcome/inclusion, interaction with the community (both diocesan and local), and ingenuity/creativity.

6. Senior's Warden Report

a. Neil reminded the Vestry to sign up for tasks.

b. ACTION ITEM: Thanksgiving baskets

- i. Neil gave an update on SJ&O and introduced information about the upcoming grant cycle and Thanksgiving project.
- ii. Neil introduced and Elise seconded a motion to approve the Linda Frost committee as constituted and to approve that the committee recommend disbursements of funds for the Linda Frost grants. This motion passed unanimously, with no abstentions.
- iii. Susan introduced and Diane seconded a motion to approve a fundraiser for the Christine Blanchard Thanksgiving Project with the new disbursement protocol. This motion passed unanimously with no abstentions.
- c. Neil postponed discussion on Q3 financials until November.

7. Consent Agenda

a. Neil introduced and Beth seconded a motion to accept the consent agenda items, consisting of the Buildings and Grounds Report, Director of Operations Report, Financial Statements, Social Justice and Outreach Draft Minutes, and Director of Operations Report. This motion passed unanimously, with no abstentions.

8. Commendation

a. The Vestry voted by acclamation to commend the Stewardship speakers for their excellent presentations during stewardship season.

9. Closing Prayer

a. Pamela led the Vestry in a closing prayer.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:58PM.

Next meeting: November 18, 2024 at 7PM

Upcoming events: Vestry retreat February 21-23, 2025