

Minutes of the Vestry
October 11, 2016

PRESENT: Don Hazen, Christ Weaver, Suzanne Reynolds, Terri O'Connor, Mike Tindle, Tuck Bowerfind, Cathy McPeek, Judy Bryan, Joe Manous, Skip MacMichael, Katie Schweickhardt

ABSENT: Beth Wells, David Tucker

Summary of Actions and Decisions of this meeting

The following items were approved:

- Motion to accept the September 2016 minutes and Treasurer's Report.

Formation

At 7:07- p.m., the Rev'd Tuck Bowerfind opened the meeting in prayer. Mike Tindle shared a reflection on racial reconciliation.

Information

- Tom Hargrove, Stewardship Committee Chair, updated the Vestry on the Stewardship campaign:
 - Every household has received mailing #1
 - The second mailing will go out on 10/13/16 or 10/14/16
 - People-based appeal is well-received
 - To date, 39 pledges received and \$175,421 pledged to date, out of 150 pledges and \$452,000 goals
 - Stewardship Banquet will be held on 10/22; Judy Bryan noted the need for socializing at the banquet, Tom explained that there will be a reception in the Narthex and then dinner in the Hall.
 - Thank you's are in the bulletin
 - Lost lambs will be contacted by the Vestry and Stewardship committee after Nov. 12
- Jr. Warden Cathy McPeek discussed the Renewal Team list; Don noted that we are falling behind schedule and folks are asked to send an update to Cathy by next week.
- Sr. Warden Don Hazen distributed the Spiritual Inventory Schedule; it is critical that we identify a team of 12-15 people and name a facilitator; it is urgent that we get the ball and clock rolling on this. Don asks for a partner to shepherd this effort.
- Terri O'Connor provided an update on the Children's Education Sub-committee (grades 1-3 and 4-6):
 - Geoff French leads the subcommittee, there are 6-week workshops, with advent wreath making, the Christmas Store, and the Christmas Pageant coming up. They need to identify another teacher (to fill in). Geoff also noted that they would like to see a paid Sunday School coordinator, but that is a personnel topic that can be addressed with Tuck.
 - Don Hazen notes that our guidebook does not have Sunday School teacher names, and Tuck suggests that a bulletin board with pictures would be good.
- Chris Weaver, Admin, Building, and Grounds Chair, notes that the nave lights have been ordered and will be installed at the end of November at the earliest, it's a 2 – 4 day project.
- Sr. Warden Don Hazen presented updates on three topics:
 - Capital Campaign discernment: 67% of survey respondents (of the Fall survey) asked for discernment on a capital campaign; we are not committing to a campaign,

and the step after discernment is feasibility. Discernment is the beginning of a process – Don asked the Vestry to review the handout and return with questions. Chris Weaver asked “what is a feasibility study” and Don explained, “here’s our idea, is it right, can you support it?” The FOSL Committee will be meeting to review the focus on the Parish Hall.

- The 5th Tuesday in November meeting will be held on Nov. 29 at Suzanne Reynolds’ house.
- The Senior Saints Luncheon will be held at 11:30 on November 6, hosted by the Vestry and youth (Rite 13 and J2A). Terry and Katie will recruit youth, Sue Reynolds discussed potential menus, and Sue Bentley will send invitations.

Discussion

- Sabbatical: Wardens and Clergy have been meeting and changing the times and order of events related to the sabbatical, but not the scope. The funding budget remains at \$20,000, which could be obtained from the Endowment Fund or select fund streams; not in a rush as we have funds on hand for deposits. We may ask the Endowment for \$3-4,000 (interest only). We also need to start saving for future sabbaticals. After the first of the year, we will need a team to start planning for parish activities. Tuck noted that the parish planning team can utilize RenewalWorks. The whole money package will be presented in November.
- Fundraising request: The West Potomac Dance team has asked about a babysitting fundraiser in December, similar to last year; the 2015 and 2016 applications will be loaded to Dropbox.

Consent Agenda

- Skip moves; Suzanne seconds, and all approve the consent agenda (Sept. minutes and Treasurer’s report).

Chris Weaver moves to adjourn, Suzanne seconds.

8:20 p.m.: Tuck leads a closing prayer.

Sue Bentley, Clerk

ATTACHMENTS: Agenda; Sept. Minutes and Treasurer’s report, two handouts.