



VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 20th, 2018

Attendees: Rev. Ellen Ekevag, Rev. David Jackson, Andy Dolliff, Mike Bolton, Marc Borge, Dorren Gertsen-Briand, Kathy Lampert, Hendrik Noth, Marc O'Brien, Vicki Roe, (Larry Brongel - Treasurer) Kathleen Valenta, Jenn Vince, Judy Staiano (clerk), Meredith Gebhart

Absent – Suzanne Jasiak,

Secretary: Judy Staiano Call to order **7.12pm**

Agenda

I. Formation (7:00-7:20)

- A. Opening Prayer – Dorren Gertsen-Briand
 - B. Animate God- Faith is a Quest
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II. Information (7:20- 7:30)

A. February Minutes

B. Treasurer's Report - \$54,000 in operating cash, Pledges down in Feb, Organ Fund currently at \$43,000

Motion to pay 1st quarters pledge to diocese of \$1,000 in March, made by Mike Bolton, seconded by Marc O'Brien, all in favor.

C. Individual Reports – POP capital campaign ongoing, home parties will start soon

B&G – cut back plants on Elm St will grow back

Pet Parade, need to commit by April 27th, hometown magic, to be a part of the parade, need a soft-top car, Jenn Vince offered hers, and lots of volunteers to pass out candy etc. Need 3 people on the committee to make it work.

Jnr Warden – La Grange Business Association (LGBA) will help with our Historic Celebration in December (they have big scissors!) need \$275 to be part of the LaG art/summer project. This year a love seat. We will decorate it, then we are on a 'map' of village walk to locate all seats. **Andy made a motion to spend \$275 for loveseat – Kathy seconded, motion passed all in favor.**

D. Rector's Report – with warden's help will form a Wedding Committee, and be a part of the LGBA Wedding walk. Need to make the gardens look fabulous i.e flowers and mulch etc.

III. Discussion (7:30-8:00)

- A. SWOT Analysis Discussion – Strengths (of church), Threats, Weaknesses, Opportunities

IV. Decision (8:00-8:30)

A. Living Compass Space – to be called Kensington Compass Center, unable to offer some therapeutic services initially as no staff to oversee it. There will be a soft launch, first of all free services, then later ask for fees. **A motion was made to authorize and designate the use of the large offices for KCC by Marc O'Brien, seconded by Jenn Vince.** Do they have a redecoration budget? Looking at options now. Motion passed, but with a request to have parameters, in 6 months time see how it is going. Would it have an overlap opportunity for Outreach? Is the vestry agreeable to the fact that not self-funding currently? Could it be a ministry of the church? The space upstairs is limited for other rental opportunities because it only has one exit/entrance. It would be spiritual development opportunity for teens, marriage, children, support, interview mocks. Could apply for Cathedral Counseling for continuing services, and receive certification of advancement. Is there a marketing plan? **So the motion is made to move forward and authorize and approve the KCC use of the large offices for a year, but to have a business plan within 6 months, made by Andy D, seconded by Hendrik N. All in favor.** Looking for a soft launch in the fall.

B. Archives Space – **Motion to make use of the smaller (old archives room) as a more functional archives room, no food or drink allowed in there, will use old archives storage cabinets, made by Mike Bolton, seconded by Kathy L.** Will repaint. All in favour.

C. Holy Week Lock-Up,

D. \$300 to start Deacon's Discretionary Fund – need \$300 as need to have that minimum balance to ensure fees not incurred monthly, agreed funds to come from rectors discretionary fund, no motion necessary.

V. Review of Action Items (8:30 – 8:50)

A. Counting – How's it going? - good, briefcase needs clearing out

B. Phone Bill Reduction – Done

C. Church Windows to Cloud - Going to do it after Holy Week when we have some time to commit to the process.

D. Parochial Report – Done

E. Swetnam Fund – **motion made to send entire current balance to support student scholarships at Seabury Bexley, as voted on and announced during the Parish Annual Meeting – Jan 2018, by Marc Borge, seconded by Vicki Roe, all in favor.**

VI. Compline (8:50-9:00) – at 9.04pm

Next Meeting: Vestry April 17th

April's Meeting Prompt – Share a story about how your faith was impacted when you were a child.