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Vestry Meeting Minutes

3/24/2020

Opening

The regular meeting of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church of LaGrange was called to order at 7pm on 3/24/2020 via Zoom (due to Coronavirus-Stay at Home orders) by Reverend Ellen Ekevag

Present

Reverend Ellen Ekevag (Co-Rector)
Reverend David Jackson (Co-Rector)
Kathleen Valenta (Senior Warden)
Marc O'Brien (Junior Warden)
Katherine Valenta (2021)
Marc Borge (2021)
Sue Jasiak (2021)
Matt Longo (2022)
Rachel Rivera-Weaver (2022)

Cliff Egel (2023)
Dorren Gertsen-Briand (2023)
Kathy Lampert (2023)
Lily Dolliff (Youth Representative)

Non-Voting

Adam Harp (Treasurer)
Andy Dolliff (Clerk)

Absent

Drew Beyer (2022)

Guests - None

Formation

- A. Minute of Sanity –
- B. Opening Prayer – Marc O'brien – The Lord's Prayer
- C. Check-ins – How are you coping & what are you thankful for

Information & Discussion

- A. February Minutes – Motion to Approve Katherine Valenta & 2nd Sue Jasiak

B. Treasurer's Report –

- a. Operating Cash at \$33,000 at 2/29/2020, \$5,000 higher than February 2019. 2020 Endowment Distribution to be April 2020.
- b. Giving Income \$14,000 –
- c. February Operating Revenue vs Operating Expenses of \$5,000
- d. Organ Fund Balance at \$109,000 - \$41K in CDs & \$68K in EECLG Checking account
- e. 2 ½ months of operating income on hand
- f. Tithely has come in handy
- g. Motion to Approve – Dorren Gertsen-Briand & 2nd Kathy Lampert
- h. Report Approved

C. Committee Reports

D. POP Report

- a. Will the bishop allow contractor to come in to dismantle the organ?
- b. Will the USA-Canadian border be open?
- c. Financing has been discussed -- \$113,000 in Organ Fund & \$68,000 in Friends of Casavant account. \$30,000 Reserved for Notre Dame Tickets sales & Queen of Hearts.
 - i. Should have enough cash on hand to make the first installment payment.
- d. Notre Dame concert has been postponed.
 - i. Reschedule for next year?
 - ii. Refund tickets if asked
 - iii. Will deposit be returned
- e. Standing Committee Approved the Loan Approval (3/3/2020)

E. Wardens

- a. Still meeting weekly with Rectors via Zoom
- b. Vestry Members have been Checking-In with Parishioners (“Your Vestry Buddy” – per Sue Jasiak)
 - i. Most vestry members have been able to connect with
 - ii. Very Positive and all are doing well
 - iii. All appreciative
 - iv. How often to reach out to folks?
 - v. Continue making the calls

F. Co-Rectors Report

- a. Compline on Wednesday Evening 8pm via Zoom
- b. Sunday 10am – Service with Fellowship at 9:30 via Zoom
- c. Tuesday & Thursday meditation @ 7:30 via Zoom
- d. How to celebrate/experience holy week at home
 - i. Considering Practices – such Sacred Space at Home – home prayer area
- e. Rectors are also calling all parishioners

- f. Pastoral
 - i. Jane Cooper in Hospice
 - ii. Jim & Sue Beyer both in LaGrange Hospital
- g. EFM continues to meet via zoom

Discussion

- A. Audit Committee – they are meeting and working on all of the audit requirements.

Decision

A. Re-Scheduling Notre Dame Concert for April 2021

- a. Motion - The Vestry approves rescheduling the Notre Dame concert to 2021 and authorizes the signing of the contract once it is acceptable to Marc O'Brien.
- b. Motion to Approve – Kathy Lampert & 2nd Dorren Gertsen-Briand
- c. Passed

Review of Action Items

Closing Prayer

Minutes submitted by: Andrew Dolliff, Clerk