

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

Bishop's Committee Meeting December 9, 2021

Present: Senior Warden Karen Sanchez, Junior Warden Katie Ho, Muriel Wahl, Marci Stafford, Michael Collier, Brian Petersen, Allan Dorsey, and Clerk Robyn Hill

1. Opening Prayer

Brian Petersen opened the proceedings with a prayer.

2. Consent Calendar

The previous meeting's minutes and various reports were unanimously approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

Muriel Wahl presented the Treasurer's report in Larry Sebastian's absence. With details on the Zoom screen, she reviewed and explained the end-of-year operating revenues and expenses. There were some fluctuations, both positive and negative, due to unsteady market conditions, Rev. Richard Hogue's departure, a generous bequest in memory of Bob Meloon, and other factors. The overall consensus is that the financials are "doing fine" for now. There were no questions. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

4. Old Business

New Treasurer

Senior Warden Karen Sanchez reported that she has exhausted all "internal" possibilities for a treasurer to replace Larry Sebastian when he moves early in 2022. The next step is to approach another Episcopal church, starting with those in North County, to solicit a volunteer.

Transition Update

Senior Warden Karen Sanchez noted that the transition is going smoothly with sufficient supply priests on the schedule until Brian Petersen is ordained.

5. New Business

Filling Vacancies

Senior Warden Karen Sanchez reminded the BC members that annual reports from ministry leaders need to be prepared for the February 20th, 2022 Annual Meeting. Furthermore, there are two vacancies for the BC, as Marci Stafford will complete her service and Michael Collier will complete Bob Meloon's term. Michael Collier stated that he is able and willing to stand for election. BC members were asked to recommend other qualifying parishioners who might be approached to stand for election. Robyn Hill will continue to serve as the clerk for the BC until such time as another "local" parishioner may become available.

A side discussion ensued regarding appointing delegates to the Diocesan Convention. BC members were asked to also suggest potential candidates for those slots.

New Church Website

Marci Stafford provided an update on the development of a new church website hosted on Squarespace and funded by the diocese for a year, once Marci completes the required course. She promised that the content will be more modern, user-friendly, and easier to maintain because no programmer will be needed.

6. Move to Executive Session

Clerk Robyn Hill and Muriel Wahl were excused as the BC moved into its Executive Session.

7. Next Meeting

The BC will meet again on January 20th, 2022.