

Minutes of the Saint Michael and All Angels Vestry Meeting
April 22, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Sr. Warden Conway.

Present: Interim Rector Brent Carey, Sr. Warden Addrienne Conway, Jr. Warden David Allen, Treasurer Win Zoellner, Clerk Lindsay Mohn, Linda Campbell, Kate Gasper, Margaret Thompson, Dee Norris, Harriet Duff, Lisa Welker, Cathy Jackson, Leslie Malle, Cecil Allen, David Bednarczyk

Absent: Dennis Kissinger, Erin Metters

Interim Rector Carey offered an opening prayer.

The group recited the Mission Statement, then shared Joys and Concerns.

Ms. Conway reported on behalf of the Search Committee that they have completed a second round of comprehensive interviews with rector candidates.

Jr. Warden Allen moved to approve the March Vestry meeting Minutes with changes. Ms. Campbell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer Zoellner reported that monthly Pledged Income was up \$22K over the budgeted amount, and that expenses were somewhat below budget. Expenses related to the music program continue to be above budget, as do building maintenance expenses. The Operating Fund was up \$9K to \$260K as of March month end. Ms. Welker moved to accept the Financial Report as provided. Mr. Cecil Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Interim Rector Carey reported that our Convocation Delegates have been reduced from 8 to 5. Delegate numbers relate to parish size. Sr. Warden Conway has contacted the three newest delegates to explain the situation. Remaining delegates will be Melissa Carlson, Dee Norris, Judy Kirk, Robert Wood and Mary Gitzendanner. The three other parishioners who volunteered (Carolyn Allen, Karen Isenhour and Diana Mullin) will be added to next year's slate of delegates if they still wish to serve. That said, Mr. Cecil Allen moved to recertify the

remaining five delegates. Jr. Warden Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Jennifer Allen, our seminarian, is finishing the second year of three at the General Theological Seminary. She is currently a Postulant. The Vestry will submit a signed letter to the Diocese indicating their continued support. Mr. Cecil Allen moved to approve advancement of Jennifer Allen to the position of Candidate for Holy Orders. The motion was seconded simultaneously by most of the remaining Vestry members; it also passed unanimously.

Ms. Conway reported that Bill O'Neill has decided to step down as Chair of the Stewardship Committee. The remaining members are Cathy Jackson, Marty Pyle and Bob Barton. Erin Metters is their Vestry Liaison.

Bishop Cathleen Bascom will be present at the upcoming Confirmation of three young people. Bishop Bascom plans to visit each Convocation for a significant amount of time – perhaps as much as two weeks. She will be at STMAA during the day following Confirmation. Ms. Welker asked if this could be widely disseminated to the parish. It was noted that the National Church live streamed our Easter Vigil. This was done at St. Paul's KCK during the other Easter Week Services, which Bishop Bascom attended.

Jr. Warden Allen reminded all Vestry to contact their liaison ministry groups to be sure they are aware of the all-parish clean up scheduled for Saturday May 4th. Items in the attic need to be rehoused elsewhere. All items stored in the building should be reviewed to determine whether they should be kept or discarded. Items not claimed by a ministry group will be discarded. Gordon Alloway has put a notebook together which comprehensively addresses all outdoor areas of the campus. It is a model of what the Jr. Warden would like done with all mechanical systems in the building. There was preliminary discussion about how to handle a weather or other emergency requiring movement of a sizable group of people. We do have a reciprocal arrangement with the Baptist church across Nall Avenue to the southeast in terms of sheltering. But information about where to go in the event of a tornado, for example, as well as appropriate signage needs to be designed and installed. Security in general is a concern. Access to the building needs to be kept under closer control. The downstairs classroom and kitchen doors need to be kept locked at all times when not in active use. Mr. Bednarczyk

noted that the current keyed system is very outdated. Discussion about updating it was ongoing ten years ago (when he was the Jr. Warden), but has not been acted on. The Jr. Warden would like all ushers to be trained in CPR. The Day School has indicated they would like to be involved in the training and planning related to these security issues.

Ms. Welker reported that there is a Haiti trip planned for late June. They can take 3 – 4 more people. The cost is about \$1,500 for airfare.

Preliminary discussion about the review and revision of the By-Laws was tabled this month to allow the committee to discuss it further. It cannot be acted on until the Annual Meeting, so there is no urgency.

A mid-year budget review will be done at the July Vestry meeting.

The Search Committee expects to present three candidates for the next Rector of STMAA at the June Vestry meeting. Jr. Warden Allen said he had had a lengthy conversation with one of the SC Co-Chairs regarding how Interim Rector Carey was vetted.

Father Carey said Holy Week had been a true joy. Attendance was down somewhat from last year, but there was increased participation at the Easter Vigil. He also said that the Wednesday night Lenten program was a pleasure to conduct, especially since he is an advocate for digging deeply into a great book.

There being no further business, the meeting convened at 8:10 pm after recitation of The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsay Mohn
Clerk of the Vestry

