**MINUTES**

**ST. PAUL’S VESTRY MEETING**

**April 5, 2016**

**PRESENT:** The Rev. Christopher Martin, Steve Avanzino, Ginny Horton, Joan Adams, John Schaver, Pierce Gore, Kay Blackwill, Doug Sprague, Jae Eitel

**ABSENT**: Meg Gorman

**INVITEES:** Jay Luther

The meeting, at which a quorum was established, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Evening Prayer read by Steve Avanzino.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the March 1, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

**AGENDA:** The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**  As John McDermott was unable to attend the meeting, he will be emailing a financial report to the Vestry this week for approval.

**SPRIF III:**  Jay Luther and Maggie Baxter (by conference call) reported the current SPRIF III numbers. The grand total of both pledges and amounts actually received as of 3/31/16 is $189,805. Also to be credited to SPRIF III is $8,100 for the first year and a half of school contributions, bringing the total to $197,905. Over the course of the next 8 years we will receive another $40,000 from the school. The cash balance on the account is $82,406 after payment for HVAC and other expenses incurred. Continued funding efforts will include applying for US Bank’s Foundation grant, researching various family foundations, writing to those who have pledged for 3 years, writing to those who have not yet pledged to SPRIF but have annual pledges to the Church, and face-to-face discussions with some Church members to be identified by Fr. Christopher. There is a meeting scheduled in May with the Director of Development of the Diocese to discuss the possibility of our joining in with the Diocese campaign. We are currently waiting for estimates for the work to be done on the courtyard.

**JUNIOR WARDEN**: Steve Avanzino has agreed to serve as Senior Warden, as selected by Fr. Christopher. Doug Sprague was elected to serve a second term as Junior Warden.

**VESTRY RETREAT**: The Vestry retreat will be on Saturday, April 30 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Lunch break will be at 12:30 to meet with people from Nativity, Redeemer and St. Francis. The day’s schedule will be looking at financials in the morning, various issues around the courtyard, and Fr. Christopher’s proposal for the New College as tied in with the 150th year celebration in 2018. A discussion ensued regarding the pursuit of the New College.

**LENT AND HOLY WEEK:**  Christopher inquired about the desire to repeat Rite One during Lent. It was unanimous that Rite One should be continued next Lent. Attendance at Maundy Thursday and Good Friday was up, but the Easter Vigil attendance was down. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the tradition of the Easter Vigil should be continued.

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:**

Directory – Steve Avanzino reported several glitches in the directory process. Michael Greene is assisting with this project.

Leak – MMWD reported increased water use. However, there is no evidence that a leak exists on the property. MMWD will be contacted for further investigation.

**RECTOR’S REPORT:**

Cursillo – 2 men and 4 women from St. Paul’s will be going to Cursillo this year. Fr. Christopher is the Spiritual Director on the men’s team.

Confirmation - 9 youth are preparing for confirmation.

Hospitality – Fr. Christopher is looking for someone who can consistently be responsible for hospitality at Sunday coffee hour.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. with Compline led by Doug Sprague.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Burtch

Recording Secretary