

MINUTES
ST. PAUL'S VESTRY MEETING
June 9, 2015

PRESENT: The Rev. Christopher Martin, Senior Warden Judy Rowcliffe, Junior Warden Doug Sprague, Joan Adams, Jay Eitel, Steve Avanzino, Kay Blackwill

ABSENT: Meg Gorman, Eric Guastavino, Vladimir Sovyak

INVITEES: Jacob Moody and John McDermott

The meeting, at which a quorum was established, was called to order at 7:04 p.m. with Evening Prayer read by Doug Sprague.

AGENDA: The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

MINUTES: The minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

ST. MONNICA'S COMMONS: Jacob Moody presented proposed pre-development phases of St. Monnica's Commons (see attached). The vision is born from the reality of Young Moms Marin in need of stable housing, along with accessible services. The plan is to purchase a former motel, to be called Episcopal Housing Marin, to house and provide on-site services for at least 15 single women with their children. Residents would be required to pay as rent 30% of their income and benefits received from social services. Jacob presented the names of several potential partners to enable phase IV of pre-development plan which provides for contracting with a housing corporation. Jacob will be making the same presentation to St. John's Vestry in the near future. It is envisioned that some members of the Board will come from both St. Paul's and St. John's congregations.

FINANCIAL REPORT: John McDermott reviewed the January-March 2015 Profit & Loss, as well as the balance sheet as of March 31, 2015, copies attached.

NEW COLLEGE OF CHRISTIAN PRACTICE: Fr. Christopher, along with Judy Rowcliffe and Jacob Moody, will be meeting with the Bishop to present Fr. Christopher's proposal of the New College of Christian Practice, attached. After discussion of this matter, it was moved by Steve Avanzino, seconded by Kay Blackwill, to approve the draft of the proposal to be presented to Bishop Marc.

SUMMER COVERAGE: Fr. Christopher reviewed the plans for this summer during his absence. He is planning to address the subject of his sabbatical in the two upcoming weekly emails prior to his departure. Rev. Jim Ward will be covering for Fr. Christopher every Sunday with the exception of two Sundays when Rev. Daniel London and Rev. Stacy Grossman will be covering. Fr. Christopher is in the process of talking with all regular volunteers as to who will be getting mail, etc., and he will review facility needs with Steve Avanzino. Discipleship groups will continue, 6 out of 7 outreach programs will continue, Shelley will be keeping the website up to date, and the Marin Episcopal Youth Group will have a couple of events.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS: Jay Luther has advised Fr. Christopher that there continues to be a steady flow of SPRIF checks, particularly with donations being made in Rev. Hugh Hardin's name. New SPRIF donation cards are being designed for pew distribution.

This summer is the Episcopal Church's General Convention and there will be a new Presiding Bishop elected, as Katherine's 9-year term is coming to an end.

RECTOR'S REPORT:

Fr. Christopher will return on August 13. After the Sunday service on August 16 he will have a meeting with some parishioners to address proposed new ideas regarding pastoral care, or "people care," and in particular how St. Paul's can model some of the current practices of the Nativity pastoral care program.

The Church choir will be singing the National Anthem at the Pacifics game on August 30, and it is hoped that many parishioners will attend.

The first session of the four-session Strengthen your Spiritual Core series will be on September 12.

The remaining three sessions are scheduled for every other Saturday thereafter.

Fr. Christopher and Chloe will host an open house at their home for everyone on September 13.

JULY AND AUGUST VESTRY MEETINGS: The next Vestry meeting will be on July 14 (in Fr. Christopher's absence), and the August meeting will be on August 18 (following Fr. Christopher's return).

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m. with Compline led by Jae Eitel.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Burtch
Recording Secretary