Approved Vestry Council Minutes

In Person and Via Zoom June 8, 2023

Present:

Bonnie Startt (E 24)
Mike Meehan (Treasurer)
Steve Stanley (RC 25 Pres)
Fr Mario Melendez
Grace Leighton (Secretary)

Whitney McDaniel (E 23 Warden) Joann Mancuso (RC 23) Dc. Gary Harmeyer Anna Crosby (RC 24)

Zoom:

Richard Giffin (RC 23)

Absent:

David Dickerson (E 24)

Charlie Mills (E 23)

Call to Order:

Steve called the meeting to order at 6.36 pm with a prayer.

Spiritual Formation: Led by Deacon Gary Harmeyer.

Approved Meeting Minutes from May 11th, 2023.

Finance Council Report: Mike Meehan

- The account balances for May and Year to date 2023 were provided by the bookkeeper.
- Parking Lot is finished and paid for by Capitol Improvement account and Operating Fund.
- FC is watching the CD rates and will decide whether to renew it for another term or take money out of the accounts and put it into something else.
- Capital Improvement account owes operating fund so as donations to CI money will be accounted for.
- Parish software has had glitches and snags. We are getting it straightened out with help from the Office Manager at Ascension. She is an expert and helps the bookkeeper to get the major problems solved.

CLERGY REPORT

- Fr. Mario is attending the Town Hall meeting with regards to Seton House at St. Nick's at Kings Grant Presbyterian on July 15 at 6pm. We are looking for Vestry Council's support. Letters will be distributed with the bulletins on Sunday June 11. Please write a letter and send it via email to your City Council Representative ASAP. Thank you.
- Mass on the Eastern Shore will be Sunday 11th after our services. Fr. Mario is going up for a "Mass on the Grass" service for Migrant workers.
- Deacon Gary will continue to visit the sick & homebound while working in and out of the office.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Fellowship

Celebrations of birthdays & anniversaries continues the 1st Sundays of the month.

- As of right now the refrigerator/freezer is working ok. We are holding off on buying a new freezer for the manna room.
- Manga Qui gatherings are on the last Sunday of the month. (Not in June due to a planned vacation).

Administration

- Trimmed trees at entrance.
- Roofing inspection will be done in the next several weeks for the warranty to continue.
- Kim Nichter distributed 10 new Welcome packets to new members.
- A meeting with Vince from Lynnhaven River Now is planned to hear playground proposal. There is a grant available in July for improvements we could potentially make.

Social Ministry

- Collection for the Eastern Shore migrant workers will begin again now.
- Utility Assistance Program is ongoing.
- People in Need (PIN) is ongoing.
- Plarn Groups meeting Thursday morning. Come join us.

Christian Formation

- Bible Study is every Tuesday morning at 10am.
- Theology on Tap is being hosted at Larry and Kathy Lowes house on June 14th at 6pm.

Liturgy

- We would like to thank all who helped with the CHA Retreat on Saturday June 3rd, it was a success. There is a tally sheet of comments and ideas from the Retreat Evaluation form.
- We are investigating ways to make announcements in another format.
- We would like to be mindful of the constant opening & closing of the doors during the masses.

NEW BUSINESS

- Our annual Mutual Ministry Review date will be August 10th at 6.30 at church.
- The Lay Delegates for the Diocese of Southern Virginia's council year are Bonnie Startt and Charlie Mills for the coming year 2023-2024. Thank you, Bonnie, and Charlie, for volunteering. VC approved their appointment.
- There will be an updated Vestry Council brochure available on Greeter's Desk. VC approved the changes that night.
- Fire & Ice will be sponsored by Liturgy committee titled "The Jesus Revolution" July 12, 19, 26 from 6-7.30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Painting Kindness rocks will be part of the summer session. We would like to send out flyers to the CEN area with an RSVP and number on it so we can have light refreshments.
- Goal progress for Goal 2 Communications
 - Create and distribute a survey sheet prior to the annual CHA meeting.

Acknowledgements/Reminders

- Request Committee Reports in August before the CHA annual meeting.
- June 30th, Church Audit due to EP Diocesan Office. Bonnie Startt will complete.
- Next scheduled VC meetings: Thursday July 13, 2023, at 6.30 pm
 Thursday August 10, 2023, at 6.30 pm

Adjournment was at 7.54 pm.

Grace Leighton Secretary June 8, 2023, 2023