

St. Andrew's Vestry Minutes
March 14, 2023

Members Present: Fr. Jeff Packard, Rich Marini, Julie Breuninger, Paul Hochreiter, Sandy Schwartz, Kathy Dittmann, Daniel Foster; online - Tom Hall, Fran Stevenson, Carolyn Donaldson, Sarah Klinetob-Lowe, Barb Downs, Amy Pritchett

Members Absent: none

Officers Present: Julie Kwasnica

Guests:

Clerk: Beth Jones

Call to order: 7:02 pm

I. **Opening Prayer** - Fr. Jeff

II. **Minutes** - Minutes from February, 2023 meeting stand as approved.

III. **Reports**

A) Rector's report is in the Google drive. Fr. Jeff pointed out that the next scheduled vestry meeting is for the week after Easter Sunday. That meeting will be canceled (the vestry approved) unless there is a situation requiring vestry input.

B) Assistant Rector's report is in the Google drive.

C) Senior Warden's report is in the Google drive.

D) Treasurer's report - In the Google drive. We are still about \$17000 shy of the projected 2023 budget.

E) Committees and other ministries:

Parish Life - There were about 124 tickets sold for Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner.

Coffee Hour attendance is up.

Need volunteers for the Easter Vigil reception.

Evangelism and Newcomers - The committee will meet to plan activities.

There is a button on the website to contact the Church.

Outreach - Out of the Cold Centre County will be having activities for us to participate with them.

Finance - The Finance committee would like to recommend that the vestry consider taking monies from the surplus for the deficit before taking from the endowments.

IV) **Discussion:** None

IV. **Unfinished Business**

- A) Finance Committee advises vestry to approve “standing permission” for distribution of funds to the Altar Guild.
- Amended motion was made to strike the words “standing permission” for approval of funds.
 - Instead employ a “consent agenda” for the vestry when it is time for budget approval. **Motion- Daniel, 2nd - Kathy.** Passed unanimously, no abstentions or dissensions.
- B) Trinity House rent increase
- Motion to raise the rent by \$75.00 to cover the increase in utility cost. **Motion -Sarah, 2nd Daniel.** Passed unanimously, no abstentions or dissensions.

V. **New Business**

- A) Motion - Community Cafe participates in Centre Gives campaign 2023. **Motion - Paul, 2nd - Kathy.** Passed unanimously, no abstentions or dissensions. Lots of discussion about eliminating “The” from Community Cafe on the CG donor list page.
- B) Grant application for freezers and refrigerators for St. Andrew’s kitchen. Full grant application is in the Google drive.
- Motion to officially submit the application. **Motion - Sarah, 2nd - Daniel.** Passed unanimously, no abstentions or dissensions.
- C) Short term options to balance the budget. - Much discussion on this.
- Approved the revitalization of Canterbury Society and its two-fold mission. The description is on the Ad Hoc Recommendations page in the Google drive.
 - Approve the Ad Hoc Committee’s recommendations - in the order in which they are listed - to balance the budget. The document is in the Google drive under Ad Hoc Committee Short-term Recommendations.
 - The Committee recommendations were accepted and approved by the vestry unanimously.

There will be no meeting in April, 2023.

Fr. Jeff ended with the Lord’s Prayer in an echo chamber.

Meeting adjourned, 8:45pm

Minutes submitted by Beth Jones.