

Vestry Meeting 4/20/2021

All Saints Episcopal Church, Portland, OR

NOTE: Due to ongoing restrictions necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting occurred remotely via ZOOM.

Present: Reverend Andria Skornik-rector, Deb Miller-senior warden, Jerry Meter- treasurer, Steve Dieterich- clerk, Bill Habel, Miriam Lain, Megan Klein, Lindsay Strannigan, Maryruth Storer

Absent: Tom Summers-junior warden, Doug Keiper

Guest: Deacon Kathleen Borsch

The meeting began at 7:00 PM with an opening prayer from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, read by Mother Andria.

- 1) **Rector's report-** Hybrid services have been well received and will continue weekly, pandemic precautions permitting. Big thanks to Noah and Jim for their faithful efforts to make this possible. Our new electronic sign is now operational on the East side and will soon be working on the West side as well. A thorough cleaning of the kitchen will be accomplished, both for our benefit as well as to make the kitchen more

attractive to potential renters. Perhaps we will initiate an outdoor, family oriented service at 9:00 AM on Sundays?

- 2) **Woodstock Food Pantry update**- the effort to install a storage container on the north side of the church continues to progress. Thus far donations of \$23,500.00 have been received from parishioners, community residents and other interested parties. The *Laughing Planet* restaurant here in Woodstock has graciously offered to donate 10% of their total sales proceeds over a weekend in May to the pantry project. Once the dates are confirmed we will launch a major effort to notify parishioners and the community of this opportunity to help the pantry project.

A motion was made/seconded to authorize expenditure of up to \$23,000.00 to initiate purchase and installation of the storage container. *Passed* by unanimous consent of vestry members present.

- 3) **Community Outreach project**- The architectural firm *Green Touch* has submitted an updated contract proposal for our review, replacing the previous contract of 3/18/2020. All vestry members received a copy via email this week. ***A motion was made/seconded*** to authorize expenditure of up to \$8500.00 to initiate exploration of the possible steps we can take to begin to

pursue this project. *Passed* by unanimous consent of vestry members present.

4) **Senior warden's report**- We will continue to offer virtual and in-person services adhering to COVID-19 precautions.

Community outreach programs continue to be well received, well staffed.

5) **Junior warden's report** - (was presented by Mother Andria and Deb Miller in Tom Summers absence.) The brick work inside and outside to the church, discussed in detail at our 3/16/2021 meeting, has been completed. Replacement of damaged/inadequate exterior doors, previously discussed, will be initiated soon when a 25% down payment is received by the vendor chosen. Asbestos abatement in the chapel (floor) is scheduled to be accomplished in May 2021. We continue to pursue the installation of a new security system.

6) **Treasurer's report**- Prior to this meeting, Jerry Meter/treasurer sent detailed financial statements to all vestry members via email. He also sent an amortization schedule for our new and outstanding loans from the diocese. The additional funds approved by the vestry at our 3/16/2021 meeting have been added to the existing roof loans. Payments will begin 1/2022.

Pledges are up to date and we received larger than expected “plate donations” during the Easter Season services.

7) **Minutes of the 3/16/2021 vestry meeting** were approved as submitted.

8/ The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM, dismissal salutation offered by Deacon Kathleen.

9) **Next meeting**- Tuesday 5/18/2021 at 7:00 PM, via Zoom unless alternative plans are announced by the executive committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Dieterich, clerk to the vestry