

Vestry Minutes 11/15/2022

All Saints Episcopal Church, Portland, OR

NOTE: *Tonight's modified vestry meeting was held via Zoom. All members of the parish were invited to attend.*

Present: Reverend Andria Skornik- rector, Lindsay Strannigan- senior warden, Jerry Meter- Treasurer, Steve Dieterich- clerk, Bryan Poole, Maryruth Storer, Tim Anderson, Candace McLean

Absent: Laurie McDowell- junior warden

Guests: Reverend Deborah Hughes-Habel, Deacon Linda Goertz, 31 members of the parish.

Tonight's meeting began at 7:05 PM with a prayer from Lindsay Strannigan followed by scripture readings by Reverend Hughes-Habel.

- 1) **Rector's report:** a) The recently formulated Leadership Covenant was presented and it's purposes reviewed. b) The parish pandemic history (2019 to present) was discussed. There are 80 new persons who consider this their spiritual home. Total pledges have increased \$135,000 to \$205,000.

There's been a marked increase of income from the Mustard Seed, ~\$25,000 in the past 2 years. Over \$30,000 has been contributed to the Woodstock Food Pantry by parishioners, community members and various organizations. c) Upcoming financial challenges include, the expiration of some of our diocesan grants, loss of the Sprint phone tower lease payment and an increase in our annual payment to the diocese due to the rise in our parishioner numbers.

- 2) **The Woodstock Pantry expansion project** was discussed and a drawing of the proposed finished site plan was presented. The financial needs to make this expansion a reality were enumerated.
- 3) **Staffing changes** were described: a) Cris Breshears, our Administrative assistant, retired 10/31/22, leaving her many roles to be filled. Joanne Osborne will be staffing our office Tuesday and Wednesday and Kristen Mägis will be there Monday and Thursday. Lindsay Strannigan will assist with communications. Mother Andria and Jim will produce the bulletins and e-news. Jerry Meter will be managing our parish database and calendar. He will assist with the E-news and web postings. He also distributes keys to those authorized to possess them. We will need to identify someone to work with our tenants. b) Amanda Cintron will replace Laura Axon to administer the christian formation program for children and

families beginning 1/2023. She plans to send a survey to families with children to determine their needs and suggestions. c) Giacomo Adragna will expand his role to include duties as a part-time sexton and to assist in the cleaning and maintenance of our physical plant. You can leave notes for him in his box in the mail room. d) Kristen Mägis is the new director of our outreach ministries.

- 4) **Master Plan.** Deb Miller, chairperson of the Master Planning Committee, informs us that they will be making a presentation to the entire parish in mid-January 2023. There is hope that the initial phase of this project will commence in February 2023.
- 5) **Next meeting:** tentatively scheduled for 12/20/2022 at 7:00 PM.

There were no reports presented by the wardens or treasurer this evening. Minutes of previous meetings were not yet presented for approval.

Mother Andria provided a closing blessing and Deacon Linda dismissed those in attendance at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Dieterich, clerk to the vestry