

St. Dunstan's Vestry Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2023

Present: Roman Roldan+, Beth Anne Nelson+, Deena Akinrinsola, John Bergeron (remote), Carol Cooper, Gary Drum, Laura Gunn, Catherine Jones-Penco, Cathy LeJeune, Arden Renze, Flint Risien, Jerry Schattle, Pam Stewart, Betsy Sullivan; Guests: Laurie Riggs, Elizabeth Burks (remote), Jennifer Foudy, Marilyn Patterson, Brady Tumlinson

Opening Prayer: Roman+ opened with prayer at 6:30 pm.

Welcome of proposed new Vestry members: Fr. Roman welcomed vestry nominees Elizabeth Burks, Jennifer Foudy, Marilyn Patterson, and Brady Tumlinson.

- Cathy moved and Deena seconded that vestry accept recommendation of new vestry nominees (listed above) as presented by nominating committee. Motion passed.
- Jerry moved and Laura seconded that vestry accept recommendation of nominees for Diocesan Council – Sandy Jones, Catherine Jones-Penco, and Flint Risien - as presented by nominating committee. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes 12-20-22: John moved and Cathy seconded approval of the minutes. Motion passed. Betsy suggested that we publish monthly minutes for congregation, for improved communication and transparency, after they are proofed by the rector and senior warden. As agreed, any sensitive, confidential, or personnel matters will be omitted prior to posting on website.

Finance Report: Laurie (reporting through December 2022)

- We ended fiscal year 2022 very well, with actual deficit of (\$4,330); projected budget deficit 2022 had been (\$33,845). Pledges received totaled \$880,109, or 98.72%.
- In His Steps 2023 as of today: 169 pledges; \$854,198.
- Legacy Fund, established for major maintenance of the parish, is now endowed with \$267K.
- \$300K invested in laddered CD's and money market, as approved by vestry at last meeting.

Sr. Warden's Report: Laura

- Enjoyed all four years serving on vestry (partial plus full term), with last two years as senior warden.
- Laura received high praise from vestry.
- Jerry Schattle introduced as new senior warden for 2023.

Jr. Warden's Report: Arden

- Working through security needs for 2023 and asked that we be aware of any untoward campus activity.
- Hopes to have a spring work day for the campus.

Rector's Report: Roman+

- Wants new vestry members to attend online Diocesan training sessions.
- Plans dinner for new vestry members with training.
- Announced Diocesan Council will take place Feb. 24-25 in Galveston.

Old Issues

- Still need to recruit new organist; Fr. Roman and David Horn will interview candidate at end of month.

New Issues

- Approval of proposed 2023 budget – contains estimated income of \$1,275,812 and expense of \$1,311,138, for projected deficit of (\$35,326). Jerry moved acceptance of budget as presented and Flint seconded. Discussion and questions followed. Motion passed unanimously to accept 2023 budget.
- Confidential evaluation of rector will take place with senior warden, using feedback and input from survey which vestry members will complete.
- Annual Parish meeting set for Jan. 29, 12:30 pm. Need ministry leaders to submit reports for booklet Sarah is compiling.
- Curate Dialogue – Diocese has recommended St. Dunstan's be considered as possible recipient of new curate in July. Beth Anne+ will finish her curacy in June and wishes to move on and explore other opportunities. In order to be considered, we must agree to match 50% of the curate's salary, with Diocese supplying other 50%. Jerry moved and Catherine seconded that we make a formal request to the Diocese, agreeing to fund 50% of salary. Motion passed. Rector, Senior Warden, and Clerk signed request.

Holy Eucharist: Fr. Roman closed with Eucharist from reserved sacrament. Adjourned 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Betsy Sullivan, clerk