

Vestry Minutes

St. Mary's Episcopal Church
9085 Calvine Road
Sacramento, CA 95829
July 16, 2017, 2017

"Opening Hearts and Minds to All"

Core Values: *Commitment, Care, Compassion, Celebration*

Purpose: *The purpose of St. Mary's Episcopal Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.*

Formation

- Fellowship

Vestry Members Present: Richard Lange, Patti Mangabay, Carol McElheney, Mark Nill, Jake Pfau, Diana Siers, Julie Vice.

Officers Present: Lois Anderson, Susi Jacobo-Vice

Clergy: Rev. Anne Largent Smith

Visitors Present:

Vestry Members Absent: Carl King, Rod Pugh.

Order of Business

- Meeting started at 11:58 am.
- Opening Prayer – Anne introduced the Lectio Divina, also known as African Prayer Study idea.
- Call for additional agenda items
- Approval of Agenda
- Appointment of timekeeper and action item tracker: Mark –time, Diana – action.
- **Vestry Report Assignments for 7/22 & 7/23**
CommUnity: Julie Sunday 8:00: Diana Sunday 10:00: Mark

Consent Agenda

- June Minutes
- May Financials

Motion: Moved by Julie Vice, seconded by Mark Nill, motion carried, to accept consent agenda as presented.

Information

- **Calendar:** Asset Mapping, July 23
- **Calendar:** St. Mary's Day, August 12
- **Leadership absences:** Anne will be gone August 1-6, Mark, July 26-30, Diana Aug 2-10
- Vestry contact list, best practices: has been updated and will be sent out to Vestry
- No task force meetings have occurred since our last meeting

Discussion

- Buildings and Grounds – Mark: Water pump stopped working. It has been repaired. The services were given as a donation. We have received 2 notices from the county about weed abatement. We are working on it. We had several circuits that were tripped, causing power outages in the church and classrooms. They are now working. We also need to address the parking lot. The pavement is starting to break up.

- Security – Elk Grove Security Systems, other monitoring options. We have had many false alarms due to a faulty sensor. That has been repaired. The office window now has a sensor. The emergency call list needs to be revised. Julie will speak to a couple of the neighbors to see if they would be willing to be an observer when the alarm goes off. Julie's name will be added to the list and Mark Voskuil will be removed. Suggestion to consider another alarm company. We have been having difficulties getting responses to requests. Suggestion from the electrician to install security cameras. The police also suggested this. They should be placed high, in trees or poles, so they are not easy to vandalize. Jake will research this and send out the information before the next meeting. We can install cages around the outside lights for \$25.00 each. Carol will meet with security system companies at the church to get us some bids.
- Property development – The Diocese has funds set aside and a person to help us try to determine what we want to do with this property. Anne met with Betsy Monnet to start the conversation. We need to set up three meetings, with Betsy leading the process. These will be congregational meetings. We are also trying to get current estimates of what it would cost to develop the property or to sell it. Concerns: how do we get buy-in from congregation, need to offer daycare, how can we use St. Mary's Day to springboard ideas/thoughts. Discussed how everyone feels about where we are. Sharing was had on whether or not folks are happy with current building/location. Does the question "Are we happy with what we have?" need to be asked. Anne brought to the Vestry's attention that the Diocese is asking for St. Mary's Vision. St. Mary's needs to respond. Anne suggested she send out an email to the congregation asking for feedback on their thoughts about what they want for St. Mary's. Another thought is asking the question during announcements/services to get the conversation started.

Decisions

No decisions.

Closing

- Review action items
- Closing Prayer Circle

Adjournment

Closed at

Respectfully Submitted,

Lois B. Anderson
Clerk of the Vestry