

Minutes of the Vestry of St. John's Church, Larchmont, NY

April 19, 2016

The membership of the Vestry constituted a quorum, as follows:

Rector:	The Rev. Joseph Greene
Wardens:	Matthew Hart, Senior Warden
	Linnet Tse, Junior Warden

Vestry Members present: Liz Bruce, Michael Bucci, Christopher Burrows, Mary Conway, Barbara Gessler, Neil Gray (Treasurer), Jay Klancnik, Dacey Hall, Michael O'Connell, Ryan O'Connell, Susan Swanezy, Sue Wahrhaftig.

Rev. Greene called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. The Vestry approved the minutes of the meeting held on March 15, 2016.

The Treasurer reported that the church's finances were in good shape, with revenues and expenses tracking as expected. The Easter appeal is also on target compared to last year at this time. The audit of the church's financial statements for 2014 has been completed, and the opinion will be unqualified, so St. John's is in good standing on that front.

The Treasurer noted that the Pivot Point fund has not performed as expected. The fund is down 9.6% through the end of March. The Vestry discussed the fund's performance. The Treasurer will ask the Investment Committee to meet with the Vestry to review the fund's performance. In the meantime, he will circulate to the Vestry a 20-page analysis produced by the fund managers.

The Rector reported that he was working to hire a bookkeeper, with Jim Sheker's assistance.

The Rector has interviewed three candidates for the Wisdom Year Intern; all would be a good fit, in his opinion. The Rector noted that St. John's is not deferring hiring a curate because of economic reasons. Instead, he is taking a broader look at staffing for St. John's. In addition, he expects that there will be a broader array of attractive candidates for the curate next year.

Susan Swanezy said that she had tried several times to contact the managing agent for the apartment building where the curate's apartment is located, so that St. John's could list the apartment for a one-year rental. She will continue her efforts to contact the agent.

Liz Bruce provided an update on the planning for the celebration of St. John's 125th anniversary. She has obtained estimates for the various costs involved for a dinner/dance party. The Vestry discussed the possible arrangements for the party at length, expressing support for the dinner/dance concept. The Vestry also discussed other ways in which to celebrate St. John's 125th anniversary, recognizing that not all parishioners would be able to attend the dinner/dance.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan O'Connell
Clerk of St. John's Church
May 26, 2016