

Meeting of the Vestry  
Chapel of the Cross  
December 15, 2021

**Attendance:** Rev. Ben Robertson, Ashley Herden, Bob Williams, Cliff Agnew, Stan Herren, Tommy Roberson, Ellen O’Neal, Bill Buhner, Sarabeth Clark, Will Morton (via Zoom), Marvin Koury, Brock Haas

Others Present: Michael Barker (via Zoom) and Rev. Will Compton, Associate Rector

**I Welcome/Prayer**

Led by Rev. Ben Robertson

**II November Minutes/December Agenda**

A. *Motion:* Motion made by Marvin to approve the November minutes. Stan seconded the motion, unanimously approved by Vestry’s vote.

**III. Old/Ongoing Business**

**A. Treasurer’s Report: Michael Barker (via Zoom)**

1. Finance Report: Michael went over income statement and designated funds. He reported on YTD expenses. A couple of large payments in the last month (organ). Announcement will be made at the Annual Meeting in January to encourage completion of pledges. Stan and the Vestry thanked Michael for all of his work.
2. Michael went over DITC numbers. Handout was given to Vestry. There will be a meeting at the beginning of the year to discuss potential changes, etc.
3. CITC Report: Martha wants to give a full report in January.
4. 2022 Annual Campaign Report: Stan and Tommy expressed gratitude for getting pledge cards in.
5. Final 2022 Budget: Michael gave overview of costs. Michael addressed Diocesan pledge (\$65,000).

*Motion:* Motion was made to approve 2022 budget as recommended by Finance Committee. Motion made by Stan, Bill seconded the motion and unanimously approved by Vestry’s vote.

*Motion:* Motion was made by Tommy to accept Treasurer's Report, seconded by Sarabeth, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

Bob went over recommendation from Finance Committee for housing stipend for Ben and Will.

*Motion:* Motion was made to approve stipend as recommended by Finance Committee. Motion made by Tommy, seconded by Brock, and unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

## **B. Senior Warden's Report: Bob Williams**

1. Mannsdale Overlay/ proposed 'Mercantile Store' Update: Bob informed Vestry that scheduled meeting was cancelled. A meeting will occur on January 10. Marvin and Bob had some suggestions about collecting petitions. Tommy requested that Cliff and Ellen create a template (and talking points) for members and those interested to send out. Bob will keep Vestry updated.
2. Next Phase of Capital Campaign: Cliff, Ben, and Will identified 2 couples about potential Capital Campaign Chairs.

*Motion:* Cliff made the motion to talk to Les & Anna Arnold and Brett & Meredith Bailess to be nominated as Capital Campaign Chairs. Ellen seconded the motion, and unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

3. Bob made announcement to Ben and Will about how much we appreciate them. He also informed them about the stipend voted on by Vestry.

## **C. Junior Warden's Report: Marvin Koury**

Marvin is getting quotes for monitoring companies. The alarm wiring in the DeWeese house was worked on. Bob would like to have future conversations about bringing building up to code and using it as a potential venue. Marvin would like more continuity with vendors. Bricks outside of Chapel will be re-sanded and leveled.

1. *Punch List* (Bill Buhner): Bill and others met with Representative to discuss red doors. It was stated the doors were done incorrectly. We are waiting on a report.
2. Plan for smoker: Michael has requested to move funds to pay for trailer for smoker.

*Motion:* Motion made by Bob to approve moving money from designated restricted funds to acquire trailer. The motion was seconded by Marvin and unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

#### **D. Rector's Ramblings: Ben Robertson**

1. Christmas Thanksgivings and Reminders: He expressed gratitude for all volunteers, activities, and events. Lessons and Carols will be this Sunday. Reminder about Advent Party and upcoming services. Staff met to go over various items.
2. Preschool inspection: passed
3. Vestry Nominating Committee update: They will meet on Monday, December 20.
4. Annual Meeting (January 23, 2022- one service at 10:00), Annual Council (January 30, 2022), Vestry Retreat (February 19, 2022)

#### **E. Associate Rector's Associations: Will**

1. Young Adults had their Annual Tacky Sweater Party.
2. Packing boxes at the DeWeese house.

#### **IV. New Business/Committee Referrals**

##### **A. Wardens Elections**

The Nominating Committee nominated Marvin Koury as Junior Warden

*Motion:* Motion made by Bill to approve Marvin Koury as Junior Warden. Brock seconded the motion and was unanimously approved by Vestry's vote.

Instructions were given for Senior Warden election. Brock Haas was elected by ballot to serve as Senior Warden.

#### **V. Adjourn**

*Motion* made by Sarabeth to adjourn meeting, seconded by Brock, unanimously approved by the Vestry's vote.

Minutes prepared by Grace Simmons, Vestry Clerk  
Reminder: Next Vestry Meeting: January 19, 2022 at 6:00 pm