



SAINT MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Vestry Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2021

Attendance

Present: Rev. Johan Johnson, Chuck Gregory (Sr. Warden), Harry Richardson (Jr. Warden), Lori McFadden, Robin Dreyfuss (Clerk), Giselle Dorsett, Lynne Coughlin, Michael Mullins, Ryan Brukart (Treasurer), Tracy Beeson

Guest: Dr. Spencer Taintor – Head of School, Cyndee Zeck and Kelly Harris

Absent: Debbie Ferguson

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am with opening reflections and scripture readings.

The minutes from January's meeting were presented for approval. **Harry Richardson** moved to accept. The motion was second by **Chuck Gregory**. *The minutes were approved unanimously.*

REPORTS

Head of School – Dr. Spencer Taintor

Dr. Taintor stated that the school has launched re-enrollment as of last week. A 4% discount for those (pay in full tuition) is active until Friday, February 26. The school's re-enrollment deadline is at the end of March. The teachers are doing well considering the current pandemic. Finance committee is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, February 23. The school by-laws were presented by **Harry Richardson**, Jr. Warden for approval. Harry moved that the vestry approve the by-laws provided by the school board's by-law review committee. **Robin Dreyfuss** moved to second. A discussion was held regarding amendments. The motion was approved with a pending review by an attorney regarding the statement in the by-laws reflecting indemnification.

Finances – Cyndee Zeck

Financial documents were presented through January 31. She reported on a Diocesan meeting held to appeal for a reduction in our monthly assessment fees. The discussion is ongoing with additional follow up forthcoming. The motion to accept the financial report was given by **Chuck Gregory**. Motion to second given by **Mike Mullins**. *The motion passed unanimously.*

Vestry Retreat

Giselle Dorsett provided an update regarding a planned retreat for the weekend of May 14-15. **Tracy Beeson** and **Lori McFadden** are working with Giselle to coordinate the plan. The team was thanked for the advanced work that has been completed in preparation. There was discussion about whether other St. Mark's groups (from beyond the vestry) be invited to participate in the retreat. No final decision was made.

Interim Rector Report – Fr. Johan Johnson

Fr. Johan spoke discussed the roles and expectations regarding the vestry's relationship with currently existing committees. **Fr. Johan** stated that a stewardship team needs to be formulated for the spring when we will be soliciting pledges for 2021-2022. As of February 28 the principal worship service time is being moved from 11:00 a.m. back to 10:30 a.m., as we are currently holding our services outside and the temperature of the season may impact attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for March 20 at 10:00 a.m.

Closing prayer was given by Fr. Johan Johnson The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.