

## St. Mark's Council Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2015

Attending Council Members: Warren Maas, Jim Huber, Prentice Beadell, Linda Brandt, Matthew Brown, Mary Farrell (Chaplain), Veronica Guevara, Richard Helling, Melody Herbst, Betsy Hsiao, Iris Key, Key (Clerk), Susan Lynx, Sarah Nowlin, Fred Morrison, Brian Myers, Kathleen Murphy, Dwayne Purrington, Louise Simons, Emmanuel Wilson

Attending Clergy: Very Rev. Paul Lebens-Englund

Attending Shared Ministry Team members: Rev. Roger Franzen, Rev. Lowell Johnson

Attending Staff: Pat Betsinger

Attending Property Committee members: Doug Potter, Terry Schlink

Warren Maas called the meeting to order at 4:32pm.

Mary Farrell led Opening Meditation and Prayer.

Routine business:

Approval of minutes

Iris Key presented minutes from previous Council meeting. MOTION to accept minutes from Council meeting on February 19, 2015. M/S Fred, Emmanuel. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Brian Myers presented Treasurer's Report. M/S Jim Huber, Sarah Nowlin. Fred Morrison asked Pat Betsinger to send the operating budget to Council members. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Announcements

Warren announces Safeguarding God's Children and Safeguarding God's People required training on Saturday, March 21 from 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-3:00pm.

### **Officers' Reports**

Jim reported that Capital Campaign representatives will meet on April 7 to discuss the Episcopal Campus project. A Construction Committee meets weekly. Demolishing of 1730 Clifton likely after April 1 2016; projected 9 to 11 months to complete construction of Episcopal Homes development. Consistent communication about the project will be initiated by Episcopal Homes' Communications staff and shared with Saint Mark's and ECMN.

Brian presented Fundraiser Application from Finance Committee. MOTION to accept Fundraiser Application. M/S Louise Simons, Susan Lynx. Rev. Paul requested that application be amended to remove "Notes" paragraph, but rescinded his request after discussion with Brian and Jim. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Committee/Commission/Charge Reports**

Communications Charge: Betsy Hsiao announces that name badges should be ordered from Pat; replacements are \$10.

Dean's Report: 2015 two part-time positions: Siri Hustad, hired January 1; and PT Associate for Family

Ministries, to be announced soon, starting August 1. Transitions in Downtown Clergy Council. SMEC will host conference "Why Christian?" September 18-19, with guest preacher Sept 20 (from St. Mark's Church-In-The-Bowery, New York). 1,000 attendees expected.

Kathleen Murphy reports that capital campaign's allocation for security plan is insufficient for welcoming center and other new projects; modifications are to come.

**Committee/Commission/Charge Action Items.** *Committee/Council/Charge chair needs to present their membership for approval:*

Personnel Committee: Susan Lynx, Chair; Sharon Bigot, Sten Johnson, Ann Maas, Ryan Prins.

Property: Kathleen Murphy, Chair; Prentice Beadell, Daniel Erie, Doug Potter, Terry Schlink.

Finance: Brian Myers, Chair; Bill Carpenter, Dennis Christian, George Ewing, Paul Schelin.

Communications: Betsy Hsiao, Chair; Susan Barksdale, Kim Dussault, Philip Hsiao, Mary Lusk, Matt Meyers.

M/S Fred Morrison, Emmanuel. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Announcements and celebrations**

Kathleen announced that Cleanup Day is Saturday April 25, from 9:00am to 12:00pm, and requested that Council members assist with Cleanup Day sign-up table after 8AM and 10:30AM services on March 22, March 29, April 12 and April 19. Volunteers may sign up on the website.

Sarah announced ticket sales for Downton Tea on April 18, \$20 for adults, \$5 for people under age 15. Money raised for Youth Pilgrimage.

Mary invites Council members to fill out prayer requests and share them with her.

Betsy announced Paul's 6-month anniversary as Dean on Saturday, March 21.

Linda Brandt announced that she will share with Council information about painting of hallway.

Mary led Closing Prayer.