

St. Mark's Council Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2016

Attending Council Members: Jim Huber, Senior Warden; Sarah Nowlin, Junior Warden; Brian Myers, Treasurer; Iris Key, Clerk; Paul Anton, Prentice Beadell, Matthew Brown, George Ewing, Frances Fernandez, Richard Helling, Melody Herbst, Sten Johnson, Fred Morrison, Kathleen Murphy, Louise Simons, Michael Summerfield, Greg Youtz
Chaplain: Mary Farrell
Attending Clergy: Rev. Paul Lebens-Englund
Attending Staff: Pat Betsinger

Jim Huber called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.
Chaplain Mary Farrell led opening prayers.

Minutes

Iris Key presented minutes from two meetings. MOTION to accept minutes from Council meeting on December 17, 2015, and special meeting of Council on January 7, 2016. M/S Fred Morrison, Kathleen Murphy. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Brian Myers presented report, answers questions. MOTION to accept treasurer's report. M/S Greg Youtz, Matthew Brown. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Senior Warden's Report

Jim Huber announced the creation of a development committee, under the umbrella of the stewardship committee, to explore new revenue streams and strategies for strengthening the budget. The committee is ad hoc, meaning that it does not report to the Council nor does it operate under a timeline. Warren Maas will chair the committee, and will present a report on the committee's findings in the fall of 2016.

Parochial Report

Pat Betsinger presented the 2015 Parochial Report. MOTION to accept parochial report. M/S Kathleen Murphy, Greg Youtz. Discussion of membership, attendance, weddings; suggestions that the Council review of percentage of funds donated to ECMN or budgeted for cathedral maintenance. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Second reading of amendment to Constitution

Fred Morrison presented amendment proposals to the Constitution and the Statutes of the Cathedral, initially presented and approved by Council on November 19, 2015. M/S Fred Morrison, Kathleen Murphy. Approved by unanimous show of hands by 16 voting members of Council.

Human Resources Committee Policy

Sten Johnson presented draft of grievance policy and requested Council input. Discussion of development of practices to ensure a healthy staff, including a grievance policy; discussion of seeking legal counsel to review policy. MOTION to refer discussion to Human Resources Committee with

proposed changes. M/S Fred, Louise. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

2016 Budget

Brian Myers presented 2016 budget proposed by Finance Committee, comparing it to preliminary budget approved by Council in December 2015. MOTION to accept 2016 budget. M/S Greg Youtz, Prentice Beadell. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Brian Myers presented a MOTION that the Council approve the Finance Committee's recommendation to designate the entire 2016 Easter offering for distribution to the Foundation's endowment funds. M/S Brian, Prentice. Paul expressed concern that funds were promised to another project as a way to strengthen a partnership through a charitable donation. Denied by majority show of hands. (Approved: 5. Opposed: 8.)

Kathleen proposed a MOTION to divide the designation of 2016 Easter offering, distributing 50% to Foundation's endowment funds and 50% to another cause determined by the Dean. M/S Kathleen, Prentice. Approved by majority show of hands. (Approved: 13. Opposed: 2.)

Chaplain Mary Farrell led closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm.