

**St. Mark's Council Meeting Minutes**  
**October 19, 2017**

Attending Council Members: Jim Huber, Senior Warden; Sarah Nowlin, Junior Warden; Greg Youtz, Treasurer; Iris Key, Clerk; Paul Anton, , Prentice Beadell, Lola Brown, Richard Helling, Melody Herbst, Sten Johnson, Warren Maas, Paul Settle, Dwayne Purrington.

Clergy: Very Rev. Paul Lebens-Englund, Rev. Siri Hauge Hustad

Staff: Iweda Riddley

Chaplain: Mary Farrell

Jim Huber called the meeting to order at 5:47pm.

Mary Farrell led opening prayers.

### **Minutes**

Jim Huber presented minutes from previous meeting. MOTION to accept minutes from Council meeting on September 21, 2017: M/S Richard, Sarah. Correction to a cost estimate in a confidential section of minutes. Approved with correction, by unanimous voice vote.

### **Check-in**

Jim Huber acknowledged receipt of written reports. Motion to accept reports: M/S Prentice Beadell, Lola Brown. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Greg Youtz presented his report, previously distributed to Council via email. Motion to accept report: M/S Sarah Nowlin, Warren Maas. Discussion of anticipated non-pledge giving later in the year. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Stewardship Update**

Richard Helling thanked Council members for responding to a request for responses to this season's message of stewardship, "On your Journey of Generosity – Listen, Image, Share" and requested more responses. Richard reported on donations via mobile app Tithe.ly, presented proof of a pamphlet that will be mailed to congregation as part of stewardship campaign, and summarized plan for of pre-worship campaign announcements. Dean Paul Lebens-Englund noted tradition of all council members submitting their pledges before the first Sunday in November to allow the announcement of Council's unanimous support of the stewardship campaign.

### **2018 Budget Update**

Greg Youtz shared the process of creating the 2018 budget, including summary of financial picture. Process begins with capturing the needs of committees/commissions, developing a prospective budget, and establishing a stewardship target. Budget will be reviewed by Council in November, and approved in December. Discussion of how budgeted expenses are divided between marks of mission.

### **Property Committee Report**

MOTION to approve the Property Committee recommendation to provide up to \$3,000.00 for an additional base station and switching technology as proposed by Armor Security. Funding source: a donor gift. M/S Prentice Beadell, Sarah Nowlin. Approved by unanimous voice vote

### **Governance Committee Report**

MOTION to approve the first reading of a proposed amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the Cathedral. M/S Paul Anton, Sarah Nowlin. Discussion of the rationale for the amendment which would reduce the number of non-officer council members from 15 to 9. A second reading of this amendment will take place on January 18, 2018. Approved by majority raising of hands (8 in favor, 1 opposed, 2 abstained).

**Updates**

Dwayne Purrington thanked Council for thoughts and prayers during his surgery.

Mary Farrell shared that Bob Hansen returned home after surgery.

Dean Paul shared several key dates: blessing of the Heritage Room, October 29; Fontaine Sermon Weekend, November 11 and 12; Celebration of new ministry and installation of Rev. Marcus Halley at Saint Paul's Church on Lake of the Isles, November 15; second annual LionHeart Scholarship Program at MCTC, November 28.

Richard Helling's mother recently celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Paul Anton anticipated a trip to Stockholm.

Mary Farrell led closing prayers.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.