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Vestry Minutes March 19, 2013

Roll Call: Present: Mary Hustler, Loren Weatherly, Kelly Boutwell, Tom Robbins, Brian Baker, Anita Williams, Pat Hill, Sally Smith, Susan Wilson, Sue Clark, Burt Douglass, Liz Magill, Chris Sanft (via skype), Kevin Donohue, Chris Tzimenatos, Kevin Sanders, Randy Cheek
Absent: Ruth Fitch

Handouts:

March Meeting Agenda
Draft January 2013 Vestry Minutes
Draft February 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes
Statement of Financial Position, February 2013
Financial Snapshot, February 2013
Balance Sheet, February 2013
Revenue & Expenses, February 2013
2013 Budget Charts
Pledge Comparison 2/20/12 – 3/13/13
Proposal from Episcopal Church Foundation
Grant Application- Ministry Development Funds

Meeting called to Order by Dean Baker at 6:33PM

Closed Session

Opening Prayer – Tom Robbins
Prayer Report – Tom Robbins
Bible Study – Kelly Boutwell

Open Session

Began at 7:00 PM

Explanation of vestry meeting agenda process, guests – Dean Baker

Dean Baker introduced new Vestry members to the monthly meeting process.

Introduction to financial reports - Susan Wilson

Susan provided an overview of how Cathedral Finances are classified and described each fund. She reviewed each of the financial handouts. A question and answer period followed.

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Approval of January and February Minutes – Dean Baker

Dean Baker asked for approval of 3 sets of minutes.

The Vestry unanimously approved the January Vestry Minutes, with one edit, the Annual meeting minutes with one edit and the Vestry retreat minutes as is.

Anne Arthur's Approval for Ordination – Dean Baker

Dean Baker described the steps each candidate undertakes in their process for approval for postulancy and ordination. He also described the specific role of the Vestry. Ann described her experience thus far, and some of her hopes/plans if she were to be ordained. There was a Q&A session. She is preaching 7:30PM Service Good Friday at the Cathedral. Randy Cheek moved and Pat Hill seconded the motion to approve Anne Arthur for approval for Ordination. Motion unanimously approved.

Grant Report & Consideration of Stewardship Review Proposal – Dean Baker

Dean Baker announced that we received approval for a \$20,000 grant from the Diocese. He asked for the approval of a portion of these funds to be used to work with the Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) to assist Trinity Cathedral with Development and Stewardship activities. Discussion ensued. Burt Douglass moved and Chris Tzimenatos seconded the motion to approve the proposal from ECF. The motion was unanimously approved.

Architect Contract for Construction Approval – Anita Williams

Anita provided background on the planning entitlements and extensions that Trinity has received from the city, which were for the Cathedral and Administration building. The Vestry had previously approved the concept of a new structure on 27th Street for program space. Kirk Bone and Anita met with the City of Sacramento to explore an extension for both projects and roll them into a single planning entitlement. The initial response from the City was positive. Moving forward, the building committee advises using WMB, an architectural firm used with the previous building project to develop plans to obtain the proper entitlements from the City. Discussion ensued. Tom Robbins moved and Mary Hustler seconded the motion to use an estimated \$34,000 to hire WMB to create building plans for city entitlements. The motion was unanimously approved.

Staff Replacement – Dean Baker

Dean Baker has submitted a request to the Diocesan Congregational Vitalization Committee for a grant to fund a new clergy member. A copy of the grant request was provided to the Vestry. He asks that members contact him if there are any issues or concerns with the grant request. Burt Douglass moved and Sue Clark seconded the motion to use the grant money, if received, to hire a new clergy person. Discussion followed. Motion unanimously approved.

New Ministry Grant Request

Dean Baker has submitted a request for a grant to fund a replacement clergy member. A copy was provided to the Vestry. He asks that members contact him if there are any issues or concerns with the grant request. Burt Douglass moved and Sue Clark seconded the motion to use the grant money, if received, to hire a new clergy person. Discussion followed. Motion unanimously approved.

Closing Prayer – Dean Baker

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Magill
Vestry Clerk

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