

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

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## **Vestry Minutes June 16, 2015**

**Roll Call:** Present: Dean Brian Baker, Kevin Donohue, Pat Ronne, Kevin Sanders, Jason Lyons, Linda Aston, Sue Clark, Mike Pinkerton, Doss Miller, Bill Mason, Randy Cheek, Chris Tzimenatos, Peter Perera, Laura Jestes

Absent: David Lindgren, Curry Mayer

### **Handouts**

Accounting Proposal

March First Quarter Reports/Financial Position – Funds Balanced

April Reports

*Dean Baker called the meeting to order at 6:30PM*

### **OPEN MEETING**

Opening Prayer – Pat Ronne

Prayer Report – Pat Ronne

Reflection – Mike Pinkerton

Book Study: Fundraising Habits of Supremely Successful Boards – Chapters 13 - 16  
Discussion on assigned chapters. Next month's chapters are 17 – 20.

Young Adult Ministry – Megan Anderson

Traveling Tuesday Young Adult Bible Study – Using the book, Prayers for the Cosmos, Megan meets with a core group every Tuesday night at a different Midtown location.

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Potluck Dinner Church – Dinner with reflection

Ashes to Go – Began two years ago, and the participation doubled this year. This ministry reached approximately 300 people this year.

Stations of the City Liturgy – Nine people gave reflections at the different stops this year throughout the city.

Spring Clothing Swap – Youth service project

Megan shared her dream of having the classrooms above the Great Hall transformed into a studio for all kinds of classes – yoga, dance, meditation, etc.

Additionally, Megan is attending General Convention and hopes to see legislation passed to ensure grants for church start-ups and missions.

### **Vestry Committee Reports**

Facilities Committee – Kevin Sanders, Peter Perera, Linda Aston

Priorities include: Improvements to the building, signage, stained glass windows and accessibility. Deferred maintenance

Facilities presented two plans for funding:

1. Inquire with Men's Group about funding the new Trinity sign
2. Request Vestry for \$10,000 to repair crack in the narthex and exterior of the building

Motion: Randy Cheek moved and Sue Clark seconded a motion to fund \$10,000 for deferred maintenance. The treasurer will designate the fund that will be the source of expense. Motion approved.

Administration Committee – Bill Mason

Two projects:

1. Vestry Handbook Clean up
2. Governance Style of the Vestry

Stewardship Committee – Chris Tzimenatos

October 10, 2015 will be the Fall Dinner – Stewardship will be at the forefront of the Fall Dinner and kick off the Fall Campaign.

Annual Campaign subcommittee chair, Rod Thomas, is working on a plan – What do we want our goal to be? One possible goal is having our stewardship campaign cover all operating expenses by 2020.

Education Campaign subcommittee – Still working on a plan. Discussion about tithing and outreach to the other ministries.

Planned Giving subcommittee – Chris is heading up this committee and has ordered resources from the Episcopal Church Foundation and is looking for others to help out.

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Dean Baker shared that the Cathedral is receiving three bequests in the next few months.

Finance Committee – Pat Ronne

Accounting Proposal – Recommending outsource financial management to Creating Answers with an 18 month contract beginning July 1, 2015

Motion: Kevin Donohue moved and Jason Lyons seconded a motion to increase the amount of accounting expenses this year to \$84,000. Motion approved.

Property Insurance Update – Inventory recommended

Proposed Policy changes: Previously, the Vestry rescinded Policy 87-4 regarding the loose plate offering on Christmas and Easter.

Recommend: Adopting a new policy regarding the designating half of the Christmas and Easter offerings to Outreach

Dean's Report – Dean Baker

Change July Meeting date to July 14, 2015 at 6:30

Two day clergy retreat at the Mercy Center to explore how we as clergy understand the gospel

Approval of June Minutes

Motion: Randy Cheek moved and Sue Clark seconded a motion to approve the June Minutes

Motion approved.

Closing Prayer and adjournment – Dean Baker

Respectfully submitted,

Laura M. Jestes, Vestry Clerk