

# TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL



## Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Sacramento Vestry Minutes December 20, 2016

Present: Jason Lyons, Pat Ronne, Nathan Daily, Linda Alston, Eileen Harvey, Bill Mason, Doss Miller, Bill Shane, Peter Perera, Brian Baker, and Bud Swank.

Guest: Jerry Paré

### **Call to Order**

Brian Baker called us to order and led in prayer.

### **Change in Vestry**

Brian reported that Rod Thomas has resigned from the Vestry due to the fact that he has moved away. We are invited to remember Rod in prayer.

### **Prayer Report**

Doss Miller reported on his experiences with Vestry Prayer.

### **Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

### **Ordination Anniversary**

We recognized the 26th anniversary of Brian's ordination to the priesthood, celebrating with prayer and comments.

### **Strategic Planning**

Brian reported on the status of the visioning process. A Survey Monkey has been created so that all who wish may give feedback. There is still much work to be done, and everyone's participating is invited.

### **Stewardship report**

Brian prefaced this report by expressing appreciation to Nathan Daily and Bud Swank for stepping into the work that Rod Thomas was doing, particularly in keeping the data entry going.

Nathan reported on last Tuesday's meeting of the Stewardship Committee. Ted White volunteered to lead the followup phone calls once a list is available. Nathan is working on getting the list up to date.

Bud Swank reported that \$67,313 has come in for the Forward In Faith offering. Details concerning the data underlying that figure is not yet available.

### **Financial Report**

Pat Ronne reported progress on finding a replacement accounting company. Some budget transfers will be needed to complete this process, but no net cost increase is expected.

Several items of information are needed to complete the financials, but those will soon be available.

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We reviewed the revised long range financial plan. The following discussion included the information that the non-restricted funds available for use have grown significantly over the last years, even allowing for disbursements made. We also recognized that more giving opportunities need to be created, accompanied by increased sharing of information among the congregation.

It was agreed to table adoption of the 2017 budget until the January meeting. The underlying assumption was that Brian Baker, Bud Swank, and others would present a fundraising plan to intended to achieve the giving increases that are projected in the proposed budget.

### **Governance**

The committee is still looking at by-laws.

### **Facilities**

The committee is recommending that we find a single contractor who can do all that needs to be done with the bathroom/sewer problems. The hope had been to start right after Christmas, but additional bids are needed to find the right expertise at the right price. There will be scheduling issues to be worked out also.

The ramp project has been put back awaiting further understanding of the bathroom/sewer issues.

Peter Perera raised a question about uses being made of the duplex rent. There are questions about accounting for the amount full amount of rent. Jerry Paré will send statements to Peter so it can be researched.

The Facilities Committee is recommending that we research improvements to be made to the duplex so that rent increases can be made.

### **Retirement**

Staff has honored Dana Chamness of the occasion of his retirement. An occasion will be provided at which the congregation may share their appreciation.

### **Dismissal**

Brian Baker dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Bud Swank, Acting Secretary