

The Episcopal Parish Church of Saint Michael & All

Angels 3233 Pacific View Drive
Corona del Mar, CA 92625

The Rev. Susan Pinkerton, Interim Priest in Charge

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting July 12, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rector – the Rev. Susan Pinkerton
The Rev. Barbara Stewart
Communications – Brooke Pauley
Ombudsperson – Steve Morris
Mission – Mary Bailey
Fellowship –Gail Haghjoo

Junior Warden –JimPalda
Finance – Stacie Tibbetts
Clerk – Colette Spence
Christian Education – Kim Montgomery
Stewardship – Keith Lumpkin
Buildings & Grounds - Don Sheetz

Absent
Senior Warden - Louise Stover
Evangelism – Clyde Dodge

1. Opening

- 1.1. Prayer by Susan Pinkerton+ opened the meeting at 5:31 p.m.
- 1.2. The Dwelling in the Word, led by Kim Montgomery, came from Ecclesiastes 1:12-15 The Futility of Seeking Wisdom.

2. Matters of General Consent

- 2.1 Minutes of the Vestry meeting of June 9th were accepted as corrected.
- 2.2 Reports of commissions were accepted. There were no questions or comments.
- 2.3 Upcoming Parish Events
 - 2.3.1 July 8 and 15th Vacations Bible School.
 - 2.3.2 July 24th Newport Beach Police Department campus security review at 10AM (regarding safe place). It was brought up that we need two more AED machines with cabinets for the sanctuary and the gym, which could come to \$1350. A motion was made and seconded to purchase the AEDs for up to \$1350 and for the finance committee to decide from where to take the money. Motion was passed.

3. Finance Commission Report (Stacie Tibbetts)

- 3.1 The finance committee met the night before , July 11, 2022
 - 3.1.1 The financial report for July shows that the financials are in line with the past

years. Pledges have dropped but we are ahead. No surprises.

3.1.2 Looking ahead to the 2023 budget, we are going to lose some of our income Stacie posed a question to the vestry, Will we have a capital campaign and/or do we ask the congregation to increase their pledges?

3.1.3 Susan+ said she has a meeting in August that is fact finding for a capital campaign. A discussion about the capital campaign ensued. We have specific goals for the campaign other than maintenance and the organ. Don mentioned that he may know a consultant who helps with capital campaigns. Jim brought up that revenue should be tied to the campaign. Susan+ said the diocese has people that help with capital campaigns.

4. Old Business

4.1 Task Force for Entrepreneurial Opportunities update- Steve Morris For the short term (2-3 months), the task force is made up of Steve, Mary, and Susan+. They will identify 3 projects that could be taken on by the parish. We need to get more people to join the task force. During the meeting of Stewardship, Finance and Building & Grounds- It was suggested that we hold a town hall meeting in September (9/11 tentative date) and a presentation be given to get the message out to the parish that “we are serious about finding ways to raise money for the parish to keep it going in the future”. It is important to make the congregation aware and bring them into the KNOW. Brooke said she has a contact at Girls Inc and would check to see if they were looking for a place to run their operation.

4.2 2023 Narrative Budget preparation- Keith Lumpkin discussed staff allocating time. It is being addressed with staff the next day regarding how they spend their time.

5. Reports of Officers

5.1 Interim Priest in Charge- Susan Pinkerton+

5.1.1 Susan+ does not want the issue of gun violence drop. Doing nothing is a mistake. Maybe we will hold a roundtable discussion about the topic. It was suggested by Steve that we hold a discussion after Sunday service (10-10:30am). Gail said that including other churches in the area might be good. Don brought up the point that we would be wise to not use the word “gun” as it may draw the wrong kind of people (safety).

5.1.2 Side note...the Friday prayer Vigil name has been changed to “Prayer Vigil for Peace”.

5.2 Senior Warden - Louise Stover No report out of town

5.3 Junior Warden - Jim Palda Nothing to report

5.4 Ombudsperson – Steve Morris Nothing to report

5.5 Clerk – Colette Spence Nothing to report

6. New business

6.1 Vision & Mission - Susan+

6.1.1 Susan+ asked for people to work together to create a draft of our Vision & Mission. Brooke and Barbara+ volunteered to look at it and will have it for our next meeting in August.

6.1.2 Vestry asked to look at the Vestry Covenant and share opinions with the wardens. Jim said that the covenant is a living document and should be updated with each new vestry. Greeting newcomers was brought up also.

6.2 Buildings & Grounds - Don Sheets

6.2.1 Don provided a written report addressing some of the issues. He has a quote for \$2500 from Trusted Gardening Services for tree removal and cleaning out debris. He asked if he should make one payment or break it up over two months for financial reasons. Finance said it did not matter.

6.2.2 Jim moved that an amount of up to \$2,500 for landscaping, tree and debris removal by Trusted Gardening Services be made available and that the account where the money will come from be determined by the finance committee. Stacie seconded and the vestry passed the motion.

7. Concluding prayer by Susan+ at 6:50 p.m.