

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2021

Members Present: Doug Merritt, Ramona Curtis, Mark Williams, Beverly Cook, Richard Searcy, Joe Fesperman, Gwen Temple, Mother Stephanie Parker

Others Present: John Harwell, Bill Harris

The meeting started at 12:15 p.m. with a prayer by Gwen Temple.

Meeting Minutes: Mark Williams made a motion that was seconded by Richard Searcy to approve the corrected April 18, 2021 Vestry Meeting Minutes. The motion passed.

Financial Report: John Harwell advised that finances look good. Regular givers were up for the month of April. Pledges, regular givers and total income are ahead of budget YTD. Expenses are in line for the month and below budget YTD. The new Music Director starts June 6th. The investment funds increased approximately \$9500. Joe Fesperman made a motion that was seconded by Beverly Cook to approve the March and April financial statements. The motion passed.

Sr. Warden: Mark Williams stated that we need to work on ways to get people to return now that we are having in person services. Signing up to attend the services is no longer required and the social distant guideline is now 3 feet. Some type of event will be planned. After discussing, the Vestry will begin a period of discernment for the next Rector.

Jr. Warden: Joe Fesperman advised there is a lot of wonderful activity on the grounds. The drainage problem has been corrected and the labyrinth work is coming along. Joe still needs help with the raised garden beds. A group will meet this week to work on the parish office updates.

Rector's Report: Mother Stephanie advised that our parish is in a time of transition working to get people back. The vestry retreat will be June 3rd thru June 5th. More details will follow.

The meeting closed at 1:15 p.m. with a prayer by Ramona Curtis.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Harris

Clerk of the Vestry