

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY VESTRY MINUTES

Date: June 20, 2017

Attending:

Richard Sause	X	Tori Aitchison	X	Werner Reinartz	X
Karen Boksan	X	Susan Sartaretto	X	Joe Hafich	X
Annalisa Kelly-Cavotta	X	Kyle Cole	X	Harry Johnston	X
Don Appleton	X	Mary Mulder	X	Meg Seltzer	

Clergy: Tony Pompa was present at the meeting.

Richard called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Spiritual Practice

Tony walked us through prayer and thanksgiving.

Ministry Focus: Stewardship

Kyle informed us that the stewardship committee has been meeting and working on new ways to reach out to new members, community. Tom Ardizzone is a professional videographer who is offering his time and resources to make some videos of our ministries and determine target audience to share with.

Approval of minutes

The minutes were reviewed. Werner made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Don seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Campus Plan

There is nothing to report at this time.

Finance report

Committee met on Saturday morning. Don stated that all is going well and on target. Pledge income is strong. We are grateful to the Finance Committee for all their hard work in ensuring that our budget is handled properly.

Motion to accept and file financial report for audit by Kyle, seconded by Tori. The motion was unanimously approved.

Property report

Richard stated that the committee is in need of one more Vestry member to join. He advised us that the front door in Sayre Hall was repaired due to not properly locking. New lighting has been installed, as well as new fixtures. Temporary sign was installed and taken down. The committee is looking to replace the hot water heater in Sayre Hall, as well as develop a plan to fix the windows and mechanisms. Richard addressed security concerns – would like to hire consultant to review the premises. Tori stated that the head of campus police for Lehigh may be able to assist us with doing a walk thru of the property and provide suggestions.

Nominating report

Tony asked the vestry to think about who would like to join the nominating committee in August.

Sign Update

Due to feedback from last vestry meeting, Richard and Don made some adjustments to the temporary sign. Decided to go with a wider sign – 8 ft wide and 4 ft high.

Updated estimate from Bartush Signs is \$35,882. Warranty is 5 years for parts.

Kyle questioned that the sign does not fit with the architecture of the church. Is there a better way to spend the money to attract new members and community? We are adding noise to the neighborhood with a big electronic sign. It takes away from what we do.

We will have a special meeting in July to make a decision on the sign. Meeting will be held either on 7/18 or 7/25.

Budget report

Personnel report

New Business

Tony distributed the Diocese of Bethlehem Canons on Vestries to all of us. The bishop is asking that we acknowledge the new canons. Every vestry member signed the new canons.

Vestry Retreat is scheduled for 8/25 and 8/26. Friday start time is at 6pm. Tori will be the dinner host for Friday night.

Snippets

- There will be a special meeting in July to decide on the sign.
- We are grateful to Canon Michelle and Brian and Marie Mauro for the new camp site – Camp Choconut in Friendsville, PA

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm. Motion to adjourn by Tori, seconded by Harry.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 18, 2017

- Chaplain - Don Appleton
- Dinner host – Joe Hafich

Respectfully submitted,

Annalisa Kelly-Cavotta
Vestry Clerk