

Church of the Resurrection Vestry Meeting Minutes
1/18/2016

Voting Vestry Members					
Stewart Ruch	X	Martha McGraw	X	Sandy Kruse	X
Andrew Merrick	X	Don Dumper	X	Mindy Popp	X
Dan Easley	X	Kate Laney		Margaret Philbrick	X
		Kevin Engel	X		
Non-Voting Attendees					
NA					

➤ **Rector's Report**

- Stewart describe his perspective on the Anglican Communion Archbishops Gathering in January 2016.
 - The Episcopal Church USA (TEC) has been suspended. For three years they are unable to vote on any international policy or theological decision of the Anglican communion.
 - Foley Beach, the Archbishop of ACNA, was treated as a primate of equal standing, with a voice and a vote.
 - Some view the sanction on TEC as very weak. It is amazing that a stand was made and a sanction was placed on TEC.
 - These actions have no direct impact on Church of the Resurrection, but we can be encouraged for the Anglican Communion worldwide.
- Stewart described the ACNA bishops meeting in early January.
 - Encouraging: Great sense of collegiality and fellowship.
 - Sobering: in the first 5 years of the ACNA, 500 churches were planted. But in 2014 only 26 churches, and in 2015 only 50 churches planted.
- Stewart reported on the unified service format (9:00 and 11:00 AM same liturgy)
 - The first two Sundays for the unified service were unusual. Epiphany Sunday with Kevin's sermon and staff transitions being announced. Baptism of our Lord Sunday with a baptism.
 - Vestry feedback
 - It was great to pray at the 9:00 AM service for the baptisms
 - The unified bulletin worked great, was easy to follow.
 - The Jan 17 baptism service completed in 90 minutes, which was great.
- Vestry discussion on recent staff transitions
 - People don't seem surprised; there haven't been many questions.
 - It is obvious there is no break in relationship, with Kevin still preaching, Karen still part time, and Lane staying till June.
 - The Youth Pastor position will be opened to a national search. The process will engage parents, youth, and staff.

➤ **Consent Agenda**

- **Approve December minutes.**

Motion 1: Approve the Vestry Meeting Minutes from 12/14/2015 and 12/17/2015, Motion by Kevin, seconded by Don. Approved unanimously by all present.

➤ **Monthly Financial Reports**

Dan presented the monthly financial reports. Highlights:

- \$2,172,548 - 2015 actual contributions
- \$2,178,391 - 2015 budgeted contributions
- \$2,098,666 – 2015 actual expenses
- \$2,208,606 – 2015 budgeted expenses
- \$3,516,352 + \$15,833 – Facility loan balances
- \$173,492 – 2015 Ending Cash Balance
- 1016 – 2015 Average Sunday Attendance (vs. 1008 in 2014)

➤ **How to present financial numbers in the bulletin**

Dan presented how the financial numbers will be shown in the bulletin, as shown below. The people numbers represent family members up through high school children. E.g. giving by Andrew Merrick represents 7 people. Although our commitments were for 24 months (Dec '15 – Nov '17) we give Dec '17 as a bonus month, so the chart shows Dec '17 as the end.

Moved by Jesus giving (12/1/2015 to date)

# of First-Time Givers to Date	# of Total Givers to Date	<i>Moved by Jesus Generosity to Date</i>	<i>Moved by Jesus Goal to Date</i>	TOTAL <i>Moved by Jesus Generosity Goal December 2015 – December 2017</i>
				\$5,600,000

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- **How to use Moved by Jesus funds beyond Normal Operating Expenses**
 - Dan presented a wish list of projects. These match items mentioned in the *Moved by Jesus* booklet. The projects exceed the funds available, so we have to pick what we want to do.
 - The next Vestry will address prioritizing the projects, with input from Andrew Merrick and Mindy Popp, who are rotating off the Vestry but were involved in the discussions of the past year for these projects. We will also seek input from the congregation.
 - At the All Parish Vision Meeting (Jan 31) we will say that the priorities have not yet been determined, and we will invite feedback.

- **Approve Church of the Resurrection 2016 budget, v. 1.6**

Dan presented a version 1.6 of the budget. This is essentially the same as the 1.5 budget previously approved, but with updated numbers for staff (due to more accurate benefit computations) and for amount of funds actually available (after close of books for 2015). This is the version that will be presented to the congregation, in simplified form, at the January 31 All Parish Vision meeting.

<p>Motion : Approve version 1.6 of the 2016 budget. Motion by Dan. Seconded by Mindy. Unanimously approved by all present.</p>

- **We prayed for Andrew and Mindy, as their terms on Vestry have ended.**
- **Stewart advanced Margaret as Senior Warden and Don as Junior Warden**
 - Margaret and Don left for this discussion.
- **We closed in prayer.**