

Church of the Resurrection Vestry Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2017

Voting Vestry Members					
Stewart Ruch	X	Martha McGraw ('15-'17)	X	Sarah Graham ('16-'18)	X
Dan Easley	X	Margaret Philbrick ('15-'17)	X	Steve Delzell ('17-'19)	X
Don Dumper	X	Chris Keil ('16-'18)		Elise Tomlin ('17-'19)	X
Kate Laney	X				
Non-Voting Attendees					
Steve Williamson	X	Amy Patton	X		

- The meeting opened in prayer at 6:45 pm
- Stewart briefly reported on the ACNA college of bishops meeting regarding ordination of women.
- Steve provided the context of the strategy work being done on mission, vision and values, and the urgency of developing clarity for Moved by Jesus funding. Steve will bring more next week on the calendar of the strategic plan and communication with the congregation.
- Dan reported on his recent meeting with Dave Smith from Intentional Churches. Mission = why we exist (doesn't change); vision = what we are trying to accomplish in 5 years; values = steers us to stay true to calling.
- Stewart talked about his recent discussion with Julie re: concerns with the cycle of One Fund fundraising. Sometimes there will be specific need or focus for a fundraising initiative. OK to do short term campaign; there are different templates that give us flexibility in how we structure generosity. We do want to finish Moved by Jesus well; celebration planned on November 19. We want to have sermon series on generosity in October, but more about the culture & discipleship than about the initiative.
- Steve updated vestry about the fall senior staff workday on vision and mission.
- Stewart gave an overview of God's work at Resurrection and what we are stewarding:
 - 30 years ago – Beasleys come to Resurrection
 - 13 years ago – we planted our first church (Church of the Cross). We have since planted four others
 - 12 years ago – we cast vision “building a sanctuary of transformation”
 - 5 years ago – moved into building at Advent
 - 4 years ago – we were made diocese and Stewart consecrated as bishop
 - 18 months ago – first started talking about strategic vision
- Stewart presented and explained the draft Mission, Strategic Vision and Values document. Executive Team started with the mission from 25 years ago (“bringing others into the transforming presence of Jesus”) and re-worked to “Inviting everyone into a transforming relationship with Jesus and his Church.” The vestry discussed and provided feedback on this draft mission statement. The vestry discussed the 5 “S” values, and the interplay of the mission

and values with the diocese as a whole. The vestry discussed the placement of teachings about celibacy and sexuality.

- Amy presented the draft 5-year Strategic Vision plan and draft 5-year timeline. The vestry questioned how the strategic projects directly connect within the mission statement and values. Does this draft strategic vision really capture the breadth of what we want the church to look like in 5 years? What are we NOT going to be doing if we implement this plan? There are things that aren't in the strategic plans that we'll continue doing – i.e. Operations. Can we define the core strategies (“pillars”?) of the church (such as Worship, Formation, Mission, Planting, Prayer) and connect them to the strategic plan? If we had a visual or a framework of the core strategies it might help vestry prioritize and make decisions. We need to recognize and realize when we are creating a new pillar or adding something to our core priorities. Will the strategic plan have specific, measurable 5-year metrics (i.e. dashboard)?
- Dan presented the draft 5-year financial plan for vestry to think through and discuss at next meeting.
- Stewart, Amy, and Steve departed the meeting.

Motion: Dan motioned that Church of the Resurrection approve the official resolution which designates \$25,000 of housing allowance to Scott Cunningham annually. Margaret seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by all the voting members present.

- The meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.