

All Saints' Beverly Hills Minutes

Vestry Meeting on March 28, 2017

Attendees:

Clergy: Steve Huber

Vestry: Joe Becci, Bob Craft, Jean Marc Madelon, Sydney Nichols, Theresa Amy, David Van Iderstine, Ruth Loomis, Ken Sulzer, Dennis McGuckian and Susan Humphreville

Staff: Liz Ladizinsky, Jennifer Hill, Karlyn Brown and Debbie Gauer

Excused/Absent: Maggie Reid and Chris Cook

Ken Sulzer provided the meal.

Joe Becci called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Susan Humphreville led the attendees in prayer

Jean Marc Madelon led the Vestry in its monthly study.

Minutes: The minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Karlyn Brown provided a presentation on the Children and Families Ministry. She outlined ideas and goals for the ministry for the coming year. With respect to those elements of the ASBH Strategic Plan that pertain to this ministry, she expressed the view that some of those elements are being met today, some should be discussed further and others require additional support in order to be achieved. She presented ideas to continue the growth and ways the Vestry and Parish family could help support the ministry.

Reverend Steve Huber provided the Rector's Report.

- The Tenors will be performing a concert on April 28 as a fundraiser for the Choir Pilgrimage to England.
- Nat will be helping with an interfaith Seder on Palm Sunday April 9 from 3:30-5:30 at the Pico Union Project.
- Steve encouraged us to attend as many Holy Week services as we can.
- There will be a Sanctuary workshop meeting with John Taylor on May 6.

Jennifer Hill presented the Administrative Report.

- She encouraged us to help by being greeters at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday.
- She said the modem has been replaced and hopefully this will help stop the internet going down.
- She said we have signed an HVAC system maintenance agreement with E.L. Payne. They are wrapping up fixes in the sanctuary as well as the offices.
- She has ordered new lights for the patio: if they work she'll order more. The roof on the rectory is fixed and the drywall will be fixed in the sunroom. The insurance claim will be filed this week. The drapes are being fireproofed and cleaned. The sprinkler system failed its 5-year inspection and the first of the fixes is next Tuesday. They will contact her about other fixes.
- We are moving towards the installation of panic buttons at various locations throughout the campus. The use of walkie talkies was rolled out last Sunday. The head usher had one, as well as Jennifer, Karlyn and Christal and there was one in the church offices.
- Security has been confirmed for Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday.

Debbie Gauer presented the Stewardship Report.

- Steve, Liz and Debbie are identifying folks who are here but don't pledge.
- Debbie expressed the view that in order to be a Ministry leader one must be a pledging member
- We need to promote the expectation that pledging a basic tenet for membership in the parish. There is, however, no minimum limit to pledging.
- We need more intentional preaching from the pulpit about the need to share our gifts from God. Not only with money but with our time, treasure and talents.
- Mobile payment system to be implemented this spring, an app being developed locally to have essentially the same functionality as Venmo but providing additional capabilities beneficial to All Saints'.
- There will be a physical kiosk for easy giving and it will also be possible to text to give.
- Gerri Maloof has volunteered to lead the Stewardship team for this year.

Sydney Nichols presented the Financial Report.

- Total revenues of \$169K were \$15K below January 2016.
- Pledged income of \$148K was \$16K less than January 2016
- Total expenses for January are 8% of the 2017 Budget.
- Compensation expenses of \$128K is \$11K more than last January. This is due to salary increases in 2016 which didn't kick in until April, plus the addition of a member of the Clergy.
- Premises, with a total variance of \$5K resulting from an insurance premium increase of \$1K per month and the timing of repairs and maintenance of \$3K.
- We will borrow \$100,000 to cover payroll.

The Financial Report was approved.

As a non-agendized item, Senior Warden Becci said there will be a phone conference call (originally to be held March 30) to discuss the church's possible involvement in a film project being promoted by Brian Ide, Steve Fleenor and Gary Roberts. This conference call, intended to discuss the structure of the filmmaking effort and a request for financial support in the form of a loan by the parish, will include

Brian Ide, Gary Roberts and Steve Fleenor. We will need 6 Vestry members to have a quorum.

The Vestry Retreat will be May 12-13, 2017

The next meeting will be April 25, 2017

Dinner: David Van Iderstine

Study: Chris Cook

Minutes: Ruth Loomis

Prayer: Jean Marc Madelon

Reverend Steve Huber led the attendees in a closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Theresa Amy prepared the minutes.

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Joe Becci - Senior Warden

Theresa Amy- Clerk