

St. John's Episcopal Church  
Minutes of the Vestry Meeting  
September 20, 2020

**Present:** Fr. Hahneman, Mo. Lisa Hahneman, Fr. Joseph Shepley, R. Bent, H. Brown, D. Campbell, S, Coles, M. Davis, C. Dubow, B. Futh, D. Gillespie, A. Kalnins, L. Littlefield, S. McFeely, M.B. Witt

**Absent:** J. Beattie, C. Dubow (both excused)

**Opening Prayer**

Fr. Hahneman opened the meeting with a prayer.

**August Minutes**

The minutes for the August meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

1. Mr. Littlefield reported that we currently are on track to have adequate cash flow to get through the remainder of the year. The financial position is benefiting from the additional income generated by the rectory and reduced expenses.
2. The terms Hull scholarship fund were discussed, and Ms. Lambert agreed to investigate potential avenues for the effective utilization of any available Hull funds.
3. The existing \$7,600 emergency center fund was discussed, and a proposal was made to consider expending the funds on a generator or solar panels to keep the parish house operational in the event of a power outage, so that it might be functional in the event of an emergency. Fr. Hahneman agreed to investigate the possibility of installing solar panels and storage batteries that could provide power in the event of an outage and otherwise reduce electricity costs.

**Foundation Report**

Ms. Davis reported that the Foundation currently has approximately \$70,000 in assets. Ms. Davis proposed that some or all of the Foundation funds might be expended get for the renovation of the church doors and potential installation of an owning to divert water from the bell tower, which has been damaging the masonry and doors. This might also be an occasional for additional fundraising. The vestry authorized Ms. Davis to proceed with investigating her proposal and obtaining quotes for the work.

**Building Use Committee Report**

Ms. McFeely reported that the rectory rental is proceeding smoothly, and that the tenants may be interested in extending the lease. Francisco and Marjorie continue to reside in the cottage, and they have been very helpful in volunteering for various maintenance projects around the campus.

**Warden's Report**

Mr. Gillespie thanked Ms. McFeely and Mr. Dubow (in absentia) for the continued success with the deployment of the cottage and the rectory, and the various maintenance issues that have arisen due to recent storm damage. Mr. Gillespie also expressed thanks on behalf of the parish to the Finance Committee for the progress that has been made in finalizing the audit and other revised financial procedures.

**Priest-in-Charge Report**

1. Fr. Hahneman introduced his wife, Mo. Hahneman, who gave a report on behalf of the ECCT and its initiative called "Joining Jesus in the New Missional Age," which is described in detail on the ECCT's web site. She outlined four initiatives, and the potential for involvement on both a parochial and individual basis. Her report was received with thanks.
2. Fr. Hahneman introduced Fr. Shepley, who has been appointed by Bishop Douglas as the consultant for transition under the terms of Fr. Hahneman's contract with the parish.
3. Fr. Hahneman reported that the audit reports for the Diocese are now up to date, and that the parish is now in good standing with the ECCT in that regard.
4. Fr. Hahneman described the upcoming NW Convocation and ECCT Convention and encouraged participation.
5. Fr. Hahneman and Mr. Littlefield reported on progress in connection with installation of a permanent camera in the church.

The meeting was adjourned.

#### **Action Following the Meeting**

Following the meeting it was agreed via email exchange amongst the vestry that the parish would donate \$5,000 out of budgeted outreach funds in support of the Camp Washington initiative component of Joining Jesus in the New Missional Age.