

**Minutes of Vestry Meeting
April 9, 2019**

Members present: Shelby Bradley, Jim Castro, John Cloud, Alice Davidson, John Escoto, Robert Feltenberger, Amy Luke, Ann McCoy, David Theis, Carl Thompson, Libby Tsubai

Members absent: Norma Cooper

Officers present: Larry Laubach, Treasurer; Steve Lee, Assistant Treasurer; Joanne Starbuck, Clerk

Clergy present: The Rev. Hannah Atkins-Romero, Rector

After determining a quorum, the Rector called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer.

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Fellowship Hall Ceiling Update – Installed perforated grids which are resistant to mildew, easy to clean and will improve airflow.

Historic Church Update – Meetings held with Charlie West of Western Specialty and Sara Holder with Prosoco to review cleaning methods and discuss current mildew and spalling issues. Experimental cleaning was done in the Columbarium.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Visioning/Goals Review - Connections – Collin Boothby will begin part-time position as Assistant for Connections Ministry on May 1st. The Sr. Warden will be working with Collin to identify potential connections. Visioning/Goals discussion for next month's Vestry meeting will be Healthy Leadership.

Midtown Entertainment Zone – Made contact with the City of Houston. Sent draft letter to the Assistant Chancellor and City of Houston for review.

Updated VPOD Checklist – Tasks 13, 14 and 15 have been revised.

RECTOR'S REPORT

Staff Item – Excited about the new Assistant for Connections Ministry position. Collin will be contacting all visitors from last year and inviting them to come to Easter services.

Stewardship – (presented by Libby Tsubai) – Continuing to work hard on annual giving and end of campaign push via phone calls and emails. The formal campaign ends on

Easter. The current pledge total is \$437,824. The current pledge total exceeds last year's pledge total.

Safeguarding God's People – Saturday, April 27th – 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Episcopal Relief & Development Service – Thursday, May 2nd; 6:30 PM; dinner to follow.

Vestry Candidate Skills Assessment – Need to look at skills and strengths needed for the next Vestry class.

Strategic Mission Grant – The grant was resubmitted. The Rector will be meeting with Canon Sailors. If approved, the grant would help fund the Connections/Newcomers Ministries.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

March Revenue: \$106,751.06

March Expenses: \$ 82,878.68

Resolutions:

1. Motion by Shelby Bradley to approve the March 19, 2019 Vestry Meeting minutes; second by Alice Davidson. Motion carried.
2. Motion by Robert Feltenberger to authorize the Rector and Sr. Warden to sign a letter in support of the Midtown Entertainment Zone in a draft as presented to the Vestry; second by John Cloud. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Alice Davidson to accept the Treasurer's Report; second by Robert Feltenberger. Motion carried.
4. Motion by Carl Thompson to move into Executive Session; second by Jim Castro. Motion carried.
5. Motion by Ann McCoy to close Executive Session and return to open session; second by Libby Tsubai. Motion carried.
6. Motion to adjourn by John Cloud; second by John Escoto. Motion carried.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Joanne Starbuck, Clerk