

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting, April 7, 2022

Opening: The meeting opened at 7:10 pm with a prayer.

Discussion/Decision:

Rector's Report:

Comfort Boxes have been sent.

Planning on a Seder dinner before Maundy Thursday.

Several marriage counseling sessions ongoing.

There is a new stage for the Ministry Center. It was donated by a parishioner.

Planning is underway for the 125th Spagalla.

Bishop election will be June 4.

The Preschool is doing very well.

I have been visiting colleges.

I have qualified for the Boston Marathon.

Capital Campaign:

Kevin Reynolds and Richard Musser gave a short presentation on the current progress of the Capital Campaign. Richie passed out the results of the Feasibility Study for the Capital Campaign. He also passed out the flier that will be passed out at the Town Hall meeting. The results were extremely promising. At least 93% of the respondents were in favor of retiring the debt, solarization of the campus and renovation for the choir room. There was high praise for the liturgy, music programs, and involvement of the youth with the church.

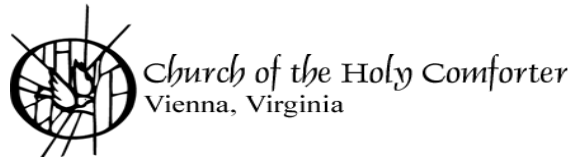
Warden's Report:

Jason placed emphasis on making sure that the congregation was informed as to how the projects were to be addressed. While paying off the debt is a priority, the money for this will come in over a period of several years. The church can't wait that long to solarize the campus and begin making a new choir room. There was discussion on how the Town Hall meeting would be conducted. It was decided to wait until after the Town Hall meeting to vote on proceeding with the Capital Campaign.

Treasurer's Report:

Cash on hand is good. Pledge receipts for the month of March were under budget and loose checks were over budget. Cash receipts were over budget. Expenses were under budget. Net income for the month was a negative. A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report for the month of March. It was seconded and approved.

Region Delegates:



The following individuals were nominated to be primary delegates to the Region: Cassandra Bosco, Sue van der Veer, and Joni Langevoort. The following individuals were nominated to be alternate delegates to the Region: Bryon Knight, Peter Brownrigg, and Virginia Barazia. A motion was made to approve the primary and alternate delegates. The motion was seconded and approved.

Standing Committees and Program Updates:

Preschool, Youth Ministry, IONA Fund: The Preschool received a grant of over \$121,000 for COVID expenses. There is a consideration about providing more information to the congregation about the Preschool. The Auction is April 22.

Fellowship: The committee plans to raise awareness of existing ministries and try to connect interested people with the ministry lead. In coordination with the Communication Committee, updates to the eNews list of ministries will make it easier for interested individuals to connect with the ministry leads. The Committee recommends that the Vestry provide a story to the Vienna Voice about the 125th Anniversary stressing the new Ministry Center.

Stewardship: Letters are going out to individuals who pledged last year, but haven't done so as of now this year.

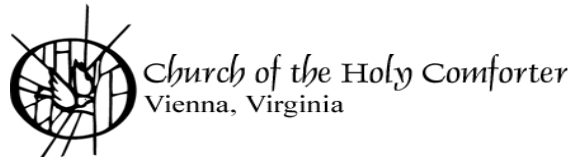
Finance: Just a reminder that if a committee wants to raise money, it must be coordinated with the Finance Committee.

Adult Formation: All ongoing and Lenten programs are going well. There will be no new programs during April and May. Several new programs are being examined for the new program year.

Newcomers, Growth, Diversity, and Inclusion: All newcomers are being called. Current parishioners are being assigned as 'Buddies' with newcomers to help them as necessary.

Communications: The You Tube channel has been organized and updated which will help people find what they're looking for. Working to get the sermons on the website. Also, adding a Vestry section so that the Vestry Corner, minutes, and other facts about the Vestry are easily found. I'm working on updating the Newcomer form.

Building and Grounds: A proposal from the Preschool to replace the wood chips of the playground with a rubberized fabric was presented to the committee. This is needed to accommodate handicap students using the playground. If the church was to remove the wood chips it would reduce the overall cost. There was discussion about some aspects of the project especially about the amount of carcinogens in the rubberized fabric. The proposal was tabled till a later date. Margaret Bain proposed planting small trees which require less water. When the trees are larger, the trees could be offered up for dedication. Margaret wants to provide a



tour of the campus for parishioners to see and understand what is happening in terms of plantings. The tour is scheduled for May 7. There is some concern about aesthetics if solar panels are installed as canopies. Repair to the pond is still in the city/county approval stage. Tom is still replacing the classroom lights with LED lights.

VPOM: There were no cards sent.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the March meeting. It was seconded and approved.

The meeting ended at 9:20 pm with the Lord's prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Fitzsimmons
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