

Christ Church Cathedral Vestry Minutes  
April 28, 2014  
Nashville, TN

**Vestry Members Present**

Scott Hoffman (Senior Warden), Pete Stringer (Junior Warden), Lawrence Blank-Cook, Don Dawson, Chris Hansen, Donald McKenzie, Anna Grimes Noser, Marian Ott, Dan Schafer, Jon Stanley, Monica Urness and Ellen Wright.

**Vestry Members Absent**

Kristine LaLonde, Susan Hudson.

**Clergy Members Present**

The Very Rev. Timothy Kimbrough, Dean.

**Adoption of March, 2014 Vestry Minutes**

The minutes of the March Vestry meeting were amended and approved. (Stringer)

**Finance Committee Report**

Mark McQueen reviewed the Finance Committee report and accompanying financial statements. The report and financial statements were received and approved. (Stringer, Dawson)

Key Financial Metrics:

YTD Income:	\$39,738	favorable variance
YTD Expenses:	\$12,843	positive variance
YTD Total v. Budget:	\$52,581	favorable variance

Mark advised that the Memorial Fund is now called the Cathedral fund on the balance sheet. Salaries and benefits are likely to be under budget because of the Cathedral's event coordinator position going to part-time.

**Every Member Canvass and Stewardship**

The Dean made several announcements regarding the Every Member Canvass and the Stewardship Committee. Trone Sawyer has agreed to chair the Every Member Canvass for the next two years. Sam Bessey will serve as stewardship committee chair. Dale Maxfield serves as immediate past chair. In addition, Cappell Simmons will serve as coordinator of the Time and Talent portion of Stewardship.

The Dean has asked David Graves and Charlie Cook, Sr., to serve as honorary chairs for the Canvass. The first meeting of the honorary chairs is scheduled for mid-May.

### **Vestments Gift**

Canon Fred Dettwiller has proposed a gift of \$15,000+ towards the design and fabrication of white set of vestments. The Vestry officers and Finance committee have recommended the Vestry accept the gift on behalf of the parish. The Vestry approved two resolutions in regards to the gift, which accord with the Cathedral's newly adopted Gift Acceptance Policy:

#### **RESOLUTION #1**

*Resolved*, that the Christ Church Cathedral Vestry, upon recommendation of the Vestry officers, accepts with gratitude a gift from the Reverend Canon Dettwiller, of \$15,575, designated for the purchase of a set of white sanctuary and clergy vestments. These funds shall be deposited to the Cathedral Fund.(Stringer, McKenzie)

#### **RESOLUTION #2**

*Resolved*, that the Christ Church Cathedral Vestry, upon recommendation of the Vestry officers, directs that \$15,575 be disbursed from the Cathedral Fund for the purpose of securing a new set of white sanctuary and clergy vestments under the direction of the Dean's office.(Stringer, Dawson)

### **Mission structure rollout update**

The Dean reported that the steering committee for the new mission structure is on track to have met three times with the new chairs of each commission. Every commission has met at least once. There will be another meeting of the steering committee before mid-May.

Several Vestry members gave individual reports on the commission where they serve as a vestry liaison, including Chris Hansen – Parish Life; Dan Schaefer – Cathedral Life; Donald McKenzie – Administration; Jon Stanley - Evangelism; The Dean on behalf of Kristine LaLonde – Pastoral Care; Marian Ott – Outreach.

### **Update on Deacon's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Activities**

Lawrence Cook, Susan Hudson, Mark Hunter, John Bridges, Dean Kimbrough and Scott Hoffman met to discuss a late October/Early November event to honor Deacon Dolores Nicholson's 25<sup>th</sup> ordination anniversary. There will also be a recognition at the Diocesan Convention in January.

### **Program review as part of Mission-based budget initiative**

There was a thorough discussion of the Christian Formation and Parish Life Commissions as a part of the Mission-based budget initiative, especially in terms of the kind of financial information the Vestry needs from each commission.

### **Agreement on Alternate Date for August, 2014 Vestry Meeting**

The Dean, after consultation by the vestry, moved the August 2014 Vestry meeting from August 25 to August 26.

### **Senior Warden's report**

Scott Hoffman acknowledged with gratitude the roles of the Dean and all the clergy for the Holy Week activities.

### **Dean's report**

The Dean asked the chairs of the Outreach and Evangelism commissions to consult on expectations for grant applications for service and evangelism-related ministries. He suggested that they report back to the Vestry at the August 26 vestry meeting. The motion to consult, meet and report back to the Vestry was made by the Dean and approved (Stringer, Cook).

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna Grimes Noser, Clerk