

Vestry Meeting January 24 2023

Present: Tracy Wells Miller, Win Fernald, Anne Baker, Kathy Butler, Liz Lindsley, Susan Von Schmacht, Antonette Wood, Joh Showalter, Debra Spencer, Nelson Crandall (Treasure) Alliee DeArmond — Joanna Philips (absent)

Formation: Tracy, around Jesus' temptation in the wilderness — Luke

Anne moves Win seconds to accept the 5 items on **Consent Agenda.**

- a. Approve minutes of December 20 meeting
- b. Accept results of Jan. 14 online poll to elect junior warden: Debra Spencer
- c. Appoint Alliee DeArmond as Clerk
- d. Approve 2023 Vestry Goals and Vestry Team Goals as set at Vestry Retreat and emailed to Vestry in advance of this meeting
- e. Change monthly vestry meeting from the 3rd Tuesday to the 4th Tuesday of each month **PASSED**

Fund the Media Tech for 10:30 Service 2.25 Hours per Sunday 10 - 12:15.

Liz moved, Debra Second

John moved to table discussion until Budget Consideration — failed, no second. Anne Amended to approve in concept if it will fit in Budget. Liz and Debra agreed. **Unanimously Passed**

Solar Power: Jon suggested for ASUC go out and get bids re Solar and bring in before April 1, so that they get more \$\$ from selling units to PGE. What constitutes getting in before April? Win moved, Anne seconds **Unanimous Yes.**

2023 Budget: Nelson: People Paid their Pledges in advance. Fair Share went up 3,000. Next step to make sure the balances in financial statements are correct. Wants to start Realm with a clean set of books.

Anne: \$15,000 prepaid pledges seems odd to call a roll over to 2023. The vestry needs to see budgets in a way to view and compare budgets by year.

Jon move 48 weeks instead of 52 for Media Tech 2,700, Organist 10 instead of 12 Sundays, Pledge shrinkage from to 4% to 3%, Kathy seconded, Motion withdrawn due to the 12,000 faith fund.

Win moved Kathy Second we accept the Nelson's Draft with Faith Fund of \$16,000, (adding changes (above) to the Media Tech?) 7 yes, 2 no. **Motion passes.**

Anne pointed out that passing an unbalanced budget was the Vestry not-doing-its-job. Kathy said the line-item "Faith Fund" (which includes what?) balances the budget.

Information: Win: Back-flow fixed, people delighted with water. Trailer was leaking - fixed, Working on Plants above Mezzanine.

(**note:** Someone pointed out in the course of determining the Report to Parish that in December the Vestry voted *against* having a faith fund. The vestry also had not funded the media tech, outreach and dues included in Nelson's variables. It remained unclear why [aside from the responsible adjustment of the media tech] these items were included in 'Nelson's Budget.' A letter on Budgeting from Abundance from the Stewardship Committee was referenced post meeting.)

Report out to Parish

Alliee DeArmond is appointed clerk
Debra Spencer is appointed Jr. Warden
Goals from Vestry Retreat approved (attached)
Passed a Budget with a Faith Fund of \$16,000
Moved Vestry meetings to 4th Tuesday
Water back-flow fixed, water pressure improved
Trailer leaks from storm fixed
Media tech approved for 10:30 streaming service,
Volunteers will be used for 8:00 Zoom.
ASUC committee will get bids, in order to investigate Solar Options

Evaluation popcorn(ish)

Crisply Professional, Newbie - what I am responsible for in goals? Need Action Plan. The budget process has been frustrating for years, ask diocese to move budget year. Must ask the national church. Narrative Budget — to motivate stewardship. Someway to help people understand budget. Should write up something that says why we need an extra \$16,000. Good to go. Efficient and congenial, Civilized.

Closing Prayer - Tracy

Mutual ministry review coming up Saturday, February 4, 9:00 to 12. In-person. (Was later changed to February 25 10 - 1)

Submitted by
Alliee DeArmond *
Clerk

* Comments, Kudos, Corrections and Complaints Welcome