

Regular Meeting of the Vestry

Episcopal Church of St. John the Baptist, Aptos, California

Tuesday, August 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m. on Zoom

Present Vestry Members: Win Fernald (Sr. Warden) Debra Spencer (Jr. Warden), Alliee DeArmond, Antonette Wood, Kathy Butler, Nancy Shepherd, Jon Showalter, Joanna Philips. Nelson Crandall (Treasurer). Parishioners: Charles Greenleaf, Tom Butler.

Opening Prayer and Formation • Antonette Wood

St. John's Mission Statement. Martin Luther King's Prayer. Stevie Wonder's Song Lyrics. Questions of racism and the church. Division with Evangelicals. Pentecostal services – maybe we should share a service with another (different) church.

Approval of July 19 Vestry Meeting Minutes –Jon moved, Antonette second. Passed.

Treasure's Report • Nelson Crandall

We're ahead on Pledges. Still dealing with how to line-out non-budgeted expenses and gifts, ie flowers, contract musicians, and supply clergy—from sabbatical fund.

Tiana's training is coming slowly. Despite un-scheduled un-availability, she is very committed to getting it right.

Switchover to realm problematic. Schedule meeting with Win, Nelson & Realm Rep. Quick Books is reading all kinds of lines as zero.

A timing difference created discrepancy in Helpful Shop July's sales summation.

John Melvin noticed there was a significant fraudulent transfer of funds from our Operating Checking account. Vestry needs to ratify the opening of a new account.

Opening a new SCCB Checking Account

Jon moved, Kathy seconded that we open a new checking account. Passed unanimously.

Alliee as Clerk will sign and deliver minutes to Win to take to bank. The check signers are Mary Jane Chambers, Eileen Fernald, Karen Greenleaf, Bill Kell, John Melvin.

Authorize a Vestry Nominating Committee • Jon Showalter

Three members going off Vestry: Chris, Nancy, and Alliee. Alliee wants to be on the nominating committee, Nancy declines, Joanna offers to be on the committee. Jon will contact Chris. This committee can choose another parishioner to be on. Kathy moved and Debra seconded this committee beginning. Passed.

Additional Discussion Items

Campus Signs: Sheriff Requires an application and a No Trespassing Sign in order to arrest folk on the property. Need No Trespassing sign? What kind of message should we put out? Sign must be in two places. Nelson presented an example in the *Congenial* font. Will discuss further next month.

Newcomers • Debra: There seems to be a couple of people and groups working on newcomers: Jon, Brian, Mary Craig has offered her house for newcomers luncheon. Jon will talk to Mary Craig.

Technical Support Person: Ian is done. He missed one Sunday due to covid, the next one had planned be gone, then broke his arm, then couldn't drive, then quit.

Andy Carter suggested Madison his 16 yr old daughter might do the job. She helped with the 8:00 and 10:30 services last Sunday. \$20 hour 5 hours a week. Win will talk with her about the job, Vestry will discuss and ratify (or not) next month.

Informational Items:

Discernment Steering Committee Update • Antonette Wood

We are in full swing collecting over 50 who have been interviewed and the collating process begun. Some people are not responding to interviewers calls, texts, emails – invitations.

Stewardship Committee Update • Tom Butler (Annie, Susan, Charles, and Juan).

Tom showed a incredible power point about Stewardship plans including plans for Packets to be sent out, revising the pledge card, adding contact people to Volunteer opportunities sheet. A Craft Fair Mentorship Day – Sharing our Gifts will promote fellowship, share knowledge and perhaps provide goods for the Christmas fair. No table saws, thank you Jon. Win could be in a lead making Jam. Tentative Time Line from Oct 22 Crafts Mentoring – February 5 Awards. Vestry needs Pledge details by November meeting.

FCS at St John's the month of October 2022 • John Showalter

Thank you so much. Back on Sat night in November. Could we trade Sat night for another night. Kathy marvelously listed reasons Altar Guild would prefer another night. Jon will attempt a for a change.

Al-Anon * Win Fernald

They will start meeting @ Church Thursdays 10:00 to noon \$80.00/month.

Water Leak has been Found

Leonard Forman has been wonderfully reducing our water bill by 40% by manually turning irrigation off and on because of a water leak. Finally an elbow pipe leak has been found near the food pantry. Will meet with Oscar to see if he can fix it.

Team Goals Update • Forget it.

Report out to Parish

- 50 Discernment interviews done and in collating process
- Fraudulent funds transfer necessitates new checking account
- Looking at possible New Tech Assistant
- Mysterious Water Leak Found near Free Food Pantry
- Stewardship Team plotting fun and informative events
- FSC Guests all month in October, hope for a different weekly night thereafter
- Nominating Committee for next vestry being formed

Alliee DeArmond (Clerk)