

MINUTES OF ST. MARK'S VESTRY
ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, CAPITOL HILL
December 19, 2010 at 1:15 pm.

Present:

Clergy: Paul Roberts Abernathy, Rector,
Susan Pinkerton, Associate Rector

Wardens: John Sedgewick, Junior Warden

Vestry Members: Ed Corr, Bill Dickinson, Rick Hayes, Marilu Sherer, Susan
Thompson, Vicki Street, Cecilia Monahan, Mary Lee Watts

Treasurer: Kathryn Powers

Register: Raiford Gaffney

Absent: Joe Calizo vestry, Kenn Allen Senior Warden,
Michael Knipe Counsel

1. Paul Abernathy, Rector and Chair of the Vestry, called the meeting of St. Mark's Vestry to order at 1:20 Pm on December 19, 2010 in the Adams Room at St. Mark's.
2. Marilu Sherer gave the opening prayer.
3. **Governance Task Force Presentation** – Heather Burneson and Bill Jordan, Task Force Co-Chairs and Task Force Member Grady Hedgespeth were at the meeting. Heather and Bill presented the findings of the report (*report attached*). Bill Dickson moved to thank the task force for their excellent work and to accept the report. Ed Corr seconded the motion and the motion carried. Paul and Kenn will come back to the vestry with an implementation plan by March 26.
4. **Worship Pillar Visit** - Worship Co-Chair Jan Lipcomb gave a status report on behalf of Co-Chair Loretta Veney. At the December Worship Planning meeting, the group changed their name to Liturgy Planning Team.
5. **Announce process, schedule and responsibilities for annual meeting.** This item was postponed until the January 9, 2011 Vestry Meeting.
6. **Officer Reports**

- a. Register - The October 10 draft minutes. Rick Hayes moved and John Sedgewick seconded to approve the October 10, 2010 minutes. The November 13 draft minutes will be resent to the vestry for action at the January 9, 2011 Meeting. The results of the December 1, Electronic Vote on the following three items were recorded: Alternative Gift Fair – carried; Lichfield Link Representative – carried; and Outreach Mite Box – carried. (*copy of the electronic vote attached.*)
- b. Treasurer's Report – (*attached*) Treasurer Kathryn Powers presented the draft budget 2011, she reported that she would present a revised budget for January with a final vote at the February meeting. John Sedgewick moved and Susan Thompson seconded a motion to accept the November financial report. It carried.
- c. Junior Warden's Report – Junior Warden John Sedgewick had nothing to report except broken leaded glass in the door into parish hall. It has been taped and will be repaired later.
- d. Senior Warden's Report – no report as the Senior Warden was delayed by snow in London.
- e. Rector's Report – Rector Paul Abernathy had nothing to report.

7. Liaison Reports were distributed (*attached*)

8. Updates

Annual Canvass - Canvass Co-Chair Bill Dickinson reported that we are currently 80% against target. In response to five parishioners' request to pay their pledge via PayPal, Bill Dickinson moved for St. Mark's to establish and use PayPal for payment of Pledges. Susan Thompson seconded and the motion carried.

9. What's New; What Needs Attention? What's Working? Who needs Acknowledgment?

Vicki Street passed on a request from Christian Ed for a tax exception form for Maryland and Virginia. She was referred to Parish Administrator Susan Block. Bill Dickinson mentioned the Diocesan Convention in January and that the Delegates will be invited to the January Vestry Meeting to discuss the convention agenda. Susan Thompson mentioned the Membership Development Committee Talent Survey that is currently on the website. The Membership Development Committee will review the responses and propose procedures and tracking the responses.

10. Work session with the Rev. Frank Dunn, consultant for the mutual ministry review and Paul's letter of agreement.

11. Motion to Adjourn. Susan Thompson moved to adjourn and Cecelia Monahan seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4 pm.

12. Rick Hayes gave the Closing Prayer.