

All Saints' Episcopal Church  
Regular Vestry Meeting  
October 15, 2018

**PRESENT:** The Rev. Mike Adams, Rector; Cynthia Caruso, Associate Rector; Anne Province, Senior Warden; Bill McLellan, Junior Warden; Cynthia Beeman; Amy Easterling; Olga Garza; Brandon Janes; Alan Nelson; Charles Stuart; Robert Wells; Kate Wood; Sandra Kelley, Clerk.

**ABSENT:** Patricia Goubil-Gambrell, Treasurer; Karen Mountain; Gary Thompson.

**DEVOTIONAL:** Charles Stuart shared a brief portion of the book by John Meacham, "*Soul of America*."

**MINUTES:** Sandra Kelley

The minutes of the September meeting were approved as presented.

**DAY SCHOOL:** Mike Adams

As noted in the Head's Report all is going well with the Day School. The deficit has decreased with the addition of new students. Lisa Diane Etheredge as Board President, has done a great job at this task this year. And, Cindy LaPorte continues her outstanding work as the Head of the School. The Board will begin a search in 2019 for a new Day School Head, as Cindy will be retiring.

**TREASURER:** Presented by Anne Province

The Financial Report as presented from the Finance Committee was approved on voice vote.

As is policy, it was reported that the Contingency Fund was accessed to help pay the Diocesan Asking, and it will be repaid, as funds are available. The income continues to be as good as can be expected this time of the year as we still recover from the summer months. Expenses are still well below budgeted amount.

Bids were presented for the vestry to consider for requesting funds from the Endowment for the following: replacement for water heater in the church sacristy, painting the downstairs interior of the rectory, and some landscaping of the courtyard and sprinkler repair at the rectory. Vendors were selected and the total of \$10,000 to cover the estimates were approved on voice vote. In addition the vestry was asked to approve reimbursement from the O.V. Bennett Fund of the Endowment to cover \$2500 for the additional cost of the kitchen air conditioner, \$2458.24 for additional cost of bathroom expansion, \$1352.07 for new computer, \$861.98, appliance repair at the rectory, and \$146.28 for new plantings in Bennett Garden. The request was approved on voice vote.

**Stewardship: Anne Province:**

Pledges received are at 94 for a total of around \$350,000, which is only about 40% of the total needed. A letter to those who have yet to pledge will be sent this week.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Social Media: Kate Wood**

The committee has looked into broadening the scope of our social media presence, interviewing potential vendors for developing a more interactive website and other applications

that would be beneficial to the parish. The committee may have some firm recommendations at the November meeting.

**SENIOR WARDEN:** Anne Province

**All Saints' Festival**

There were reports from the various vestry members working on the All Saints' Festival "Homecoming": Olga Garza began the Silent Auction on Sunday with appropriate photos and signup sheets; Cynthia Beeman is still in need of on-site personnel for the Tour of Homes; Robert Wells reports that a licensed bartender has been engaged for the dance and that Home-Cooked Fridays will provide food. Fr Mike and Michele Adams will be the DJs for the dance.

Big thanks to Amy Easterling for donating and acquiring the T-Shirts that will be available for purchase beginning Sunday, October 22. They will sell for \$20 each.

**Window Update:** No firm date as yet on the stained glass window removal. A "de-consecration" service on the Sunday preceding its removal will occur.

**JUNIOR WARDEN:** Bill McLellan

As pointed out in the Facilities Director's report, some of the lighting deficiencies are still out for bids. A leak in the church above the altar has been located and repaired. There are still plans to develop an ongoing maintenance schedule in an attempt to avoid to stay on top of repairs. Robert Wells made mention of some stains on the US Flag in the church. The Altar Guild will be asked to look into having the flags cleaned.

**NEW BUSINESS;**

Micah 6 has asked that All Saints' consider increasing their annual pledge and Fr. Adams suggested it be by 10%. This would add an additional \$682 annually to the budget. Conditional approval was passed on voice vote, stating that only if the amount is raised in the Pledge Drive.

**CLERGY REPORTS: Cynthia Caruso**

Reported on the recently completed Kairos weekend she participated in at the Women's prison facility in Lockhart.

**Mike Adams:**

Noted how it was coincidentally appropriate that Bishop Dena Harrison's final episcopal visit be with us here at All Saints'. It was a good visit and we confirmed/received many new members.

Still awaiting acceptance for the final Vestry nominee. All nominees to Diocesan Council have been received. The Walk-About for meeting and interviewing the candidates for Suffragan Bishop will be held at Camp Allen, on January 5. It is hoped that all council delegates would be able to attend, but all members of the Diocese are welcome.

Reminded those out-going vestry persons that their terms do not end until after the Annual Parish Meeting, January 27, 2019. The last vestry meeting for the outgoing vestry members will be January 21, 2019

Sandra Kelley,  
Clerk