## VESTRY MEETING MINUTES January 17, 2024 6:30 pm St Peter's by the Sea Episcopal Church/and on zoom

Present: Loyd Platson (Jr. Warden), Mim McConnell (Sr. Warden), Lisa Moore, Chip Camden

Sara Beaber-Fujioka (Treasurer), Sara Bergendahl

Clergy: Julie Platson Guest: Kit Allgood-Mellema, Linda Trierschield

\*Opening Prayer/Reflection: Julie

\*Adoption of Agenda -by consent

\*Correspondence: A Christmas letter and sheet music received from Matthew. Received a generous donation for sanctuary heating.

**December 16 Minutes** – Loyd moved and Chip seconded to approve the December minutes – passed.

Finance Discussion / Treasurer's report / 2024 Budget: See Sara's report.

Discussed budget.

We will move \$1,750 from 2023 Maintenance budget surplus into a restricted account for general maintenance.

Add \$600 to Supplies/Maintenance/Repair.

Motion by Loyd to have \$15,000 for the Diocesan Assessment, Sarah seconded. Motion passed.

Discussed 5% increase in the rector's salary. Chip moved to increase the rector salary by 5%. Sarah seconded. Motion carried.

Discussed Manna Meal line items in operating and restricted accounts. Leftover Manna Meal funds in the operating budget from 2023 will be moved to the restricted account for Manna Meal. Discussed an idea to support the Homeless Coalition's meal program.

Leftover outreach funds in the operating budget from 2023 will be moved to the restricted account for outreach.

Loyd moved to accept the budget as amended. Sarah seconded. Motion passed.

Rector Report: - See Julie's report

## Senior Warden report

Endowment Board approved a grant for encouraging spiritual growth and outreach to Julie for \$4,638.71. This is for a Backstory Preaching Collective Plus membership for worship leaders and clergy. Sarah moved to approve this. Loyd seconded.

Apartment update: Loyd has one small project to finish on the apartment. The lease has been tweaked based on advise from Brian Hanson. The first year is a commitment for one year then month to month after that.

A pet exception was granted for Lisa's Dog, Mist, to potentially be in the apartment for visits during the time between Feb 23 and March 14 when Kate is house/pet sitting.

We need to open a savings account for the security deposit for the apartment. The account is very low interest bearing and we will need to put \$100 in to open the account. The tenant's security deposit will be used as the money needed to open the account. Loyd made the motion to open a savings account with a \$50 buffer for the account. Chip seconded. Motion carries. All signers need to go to First Bank to sign for this. Mim will send an email for this.

Draft Agenda for annual meeting. See attached.

Plus Shrove Tuesday February 13 – pancake supper will be at 5:30. Pancakes – Tad, Sarah, Loyd. Linda – Bacon, Fruit, Sarah, Lisa Sausage – Lisa. Ham? Butter, Syrup? Lisa will make a signup sheet. Julie will do the public announcements.

## Jr Warden Report -

**Stonemason** – Sara Beaber-Fujioka – Still waiting for a quote from the Stonemason. We need the quote to submit a grant on Jan  $22^{nd}$ .

**Sacristy Project:** Everything is done except in the spring, we will need to rake and seed it. Figure out what to do with the pile of rock and dirt near the apartment. Linda will pull out the rock that matches the buttresses.

There is garden money of \$1,500. We could put a concrete entrance to the apartment. Linda is working on this.

## Vestry Listening and Thank you:

We need to send a special thank you to Anne Pollnow for all of her work. Letter of appreciation or letter to the editor. Mention this at the annual meeting so people can thank her when they see her.

We sent monetary Christmas checks to John McCrehan and Steve Dunn in appreciation of their seasonal work on the grounds of the church.

Thank you from Julie to all of the vestry.

**Next vestry meeting:** The Annual Meeting Date for 2024 is January 21. There will be a short vestry meeting after that. The next vestry meeting will be February 21 at 6:30.

Closing Prayer by Julie at 8:55pm