# St. John's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting February 19, 2014

Members Present: Larry Bennett, Mark Kussmaul, Kim Roberts, Meegan Reidy,

Harry Siamas, Debbie Swanson, Cindy Turner and The Rev. Jan Oller.

Members Absent: Betty Culley, Ellen Ball

The Rev. Jan opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with prayer.

#### **Minutes**

After a review of the minutes from Jan. 26th, they were amended to include additional information regarding the previous meeting's minutes and financials. The amended minutes were approved on a motion from Meegan Reidy and a second by Cindy Turner.

#### **Financials**

The financial statements were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Mark Kussmaul and seconded by Larry Bennett.

## **Liaison Reports**

Kim Roberts reported that in addition to the events in her e-mailed report, Parish Life is planning a White Elephant party to take place in January 2015.

It is also possible that we will be able to have a "Breakfast at the Shore" service in August.

Debbie Swanson gave an update on painting in Whitlock Hall from the Property Committee. The ceiling painting has been done and water issues in north transept (hallway between church and Whitlock) are being addressed.

Additional committee reports that were e-mailed are attached with hard copy of these minutes.

## **Warden Reports**

None

## **Old Business**

Sign up sheets for committee liaisons were passed around. Vestry members also signed up for church entry clean up assignments.

#### **New Business**

Rev. Jan announced that St. John's has been selected by the diocese as a "Planned Giving" Parish. We will be having three planning sessions to give members of the parish an opportunity to discuss long range planning and visions for St. John's. Rev. Jan and Sam Hildebrand will lead discussion on how planned giving and building a church endowment fund can help us accomplish our visions. The meetings will take place on March 23, April 1, and April 8 at 7:00 pm at the church. Rev. Jan is asking that three vestry members attend each session. Episcopalfoundation.org has additional information on Planned Giving.

A card will be sent to Kristin Albrecht to congratulate her on being a National Merit Finalist.

Rev. Jan asked that the vestry take note of the special events planned at the church during the next month. She asked that the vestry attend as many of these events as

possible.

Mark Kussmaul will be looking into possible outreach opportunities for St. John's during a large motorcycle event to be held in Crawfordsville in August. The vestry reviewed the church calendar for 2014 and Rev. Jan reminded us that this is always available for review in the church office and on Google calendar.

### Other

In preparation of the planned giving meetings, the vestry spent a few minutes discussing what we perceive as St. John's core values and core competentcies. We also discussed what we want to make a priority and why. This discussion will continue at subsequent meetings.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, March 19th at 7:30 (following our Lenten series).

Our meeting concluded at 8:22 pm with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Roberts Clerk