Building Committee Minutes September 30, 2015

Next Meetings: 7 p.m. Wednesdays, October 7, 28.

Attending: G. Boyd, M. Claverie, D. Miller, G. Delbridge, M. Parobeck, M. Anspach, Field Horne, M. Withington, Dean Vang. Guests: Shannon Brown and associate, JGWA.

Minutes of September 8, 2015 were accepted for the record.

Boyd reported that BC Resolution #3 of September 8, recommending a General Contractor approach for the NPH project, was accepted by the Vestry at its September 23 meeting.

Boyd also reported that Capital Campaign feasibility surveys were in the mail as of Tuesday September 29, should be received by 300+ parishioners within a few days, and will be subject of a report from the Episcopal Church Foundation after the 10 a.m. service Sunday November 8.

Field Horne advanced the idea of a 50th anniversary observance of historic importance for the community. Architect Jack Waite in 1965 exhorted local leaders of Saratoga Springs to emphasize historic values in the further development and investment in the community. Consensus was attained at hosting a Dutch-treat luncheon at Saratoga Golf and Polo on December 2 to mark the date. Community leaders and others will be invited to attend and take part.

Boyd spoke of the desirability of the parish hosting an informational symposium on early childhood education and restorative justice, the two principal programs presently eager to occupy major space in the NPH. A date of Saturday morning November 21 was set for a parish and community meeting in the Parish Hall to offer our prospective tenants an opportunity to engage the congregation on these missions.

Brown reported that the condition study of the church building would begin the following Friday, October 2. Work continues on construction drawings. Issuance of a Request for Qualifications may be ready in a matter of weeks, and a meeting to focus on value engineering will be arranged with local builder Bonacio Construction.

Saratoga Springs Design Review Commission will meet to review the project on October 20.

Delbridge distributed spreadsheets showing the current status of the financial model, based on current assumptions and dynamics. All were urged to review the MS Excel version, to be emailed to the committee, but to maintain confidentiality of the process.

Boyd asked the architects to provide a list of likely near-term payments that will be owing, so the Endowment Committee can be prepared to issue checks in a timely manner.

Three proposals have been received for the removal and repair of the two stained glass windows in the present Parish House. JGWA will review for technical completeness and make a recommendation to be taken up at the BC's October 7 meeting.

Boyd will begin circulating text for a "construction sign" to be erected in the west lot. At least three sign companies have been identified from Chamber of Commerce listings. Proposals will be sought once text and layout are agreed to.

Anspach reported that the local scrap dealer, formerly I. Figelman, is willing to remove the inactive church boiler at no cost. Consensus urged to proceed, coordinated with M. Claverie's property committee.

Dean Vang requested the architects to identify salvageable wood from the undercroft that can be provided to a craftsman Dean Vang has identified who will create a new set of Stations of the Cross.

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