

Bethesda Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting

Date: 7PM Sep 19th, 2018

Location: Skidmore College

Clergy: Dean Marshall J. Vang, Interim Rector

Clerk: Mayumi Kato

Treasurer: John Van der Veer

Assistant Treasurer: Jamie Piraino

Vestry: Darren Miller, Catherine Berheide, Steven Rucker, Pam Houde, Field Horne, Sara Manny, Ann Bullock

Call to order: Father Vang called to order the regular meeting of the Bethesda Episcopal Church Vestry at 7:00 PM on Sep 19th, 2018 at Skidmore College, Tisch Building, Room 207

1. Devotions
 - S. Rucker began the meeting with devotions
2. Minutes of July meeting
 - Minutes of August was sent out via E-mail in prior to this meeting for Vestry members to review. D. Miller moved to accept those, seconded by J. Van der Veer, unanimously approved.
3. Interim Rector's Report: Father Vang
 - J. Van der Veer moved to accept entering the executive session, seconded by A. Bullock, unanimously approved.
 - D. Miller moved to accept ending executive session, seconded by F. Horne, unanimously approved.
 - The discussion about the safety and security at 43 Washington Street is continued. The man still seems to be potential danger to the staff working at the office. People from Vestry and congregation will continue to take a shift at the office during work hours to ensure the safety. J. Van der Veer and Father Vang will have a discussion with the owner of the building regarding to this matter.
 - Gift for Farrell Goehring's anniversary was discussed.
4. Churchwarden's Report: D. Miller & C. Berheide
 - D. Miller has sent out the proposed Resolution regarding Mercy House via E-mail before this meeting for Vestry to review. D. Miller moved to accept advancing the plans for new parish house, seconded by C. Berheide, unanimously approved.
 - The architect proposed new large West Door design of the church, which is existing exterior door swing out, and new interior door also swing out. We will get the estimate.

- D. Miller moved to accept Rector's Expenses, C. Berheide seconded which passed unanimously.
 - Bethesda History book launch party will be 4-6 PM on September 21st.
5. Treasurer's Report: J. Van der Veer & J. Piraino
- Profit & Loss -Budget vs. Actual August 2018 was reviewed
 - Budget vs. Actual data will be on Sunday bulletin moving forward for the congregation to understand our financial status
6. Commission Reports
- Communications: F. Horne
 - Need articles by October 26th for next newsletter
 - Parish Life: P. Houde
 - Farrell's Organ Concert will be held at 2:30PM on Oct 7th followed by Even Song and then the cocktail reception at First Baptist Church. D. Miller moved to accept the budget for the party, seconded by S. Manny, and unanimously approved.
 - Knitting group will start soon
 - Property Management: S. Rucker
 - Baby changing table will be installed at bathroom of the church
 - Fire sprinkler system needs to be repaired
 - We are going to obtain the estimate for how much it would cost to fix the damaged area near the roof of the church.
 - Stewardship: J. Pirarino
 - The committee met Tuesday September 11th. First, Treasurer needs to create the 2019 budget. After the budget is complete, the committee needs to set some goals for giving. The committee also decided to present the congregation with most recent and reliable financial information at Sunday bulleting moving forward.
7. Continuing/ New Business
- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION and HOLY CONFIRMATION CLASSES have started
8. Blessing & Adjournment
- F. Horne moved to adjourn the meeting, P. Houde seconded the motion which passed unanimously