St. Richard's Vestry Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2023

The August 27 meeting of the Saint Richard's Vestry was held in person at 12pm in the Parish Hall.

PRESENT: Dokie Walker, Jeff Krech, David Carlson, Pauline Hoehn, Steve Mueller, Warren Gillespie, Kyle Thomas, Brian Chase, Lucinda Saxon, Don Parker

ABSENT: Jonathan Wickline, Bobby Schmidt

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES: Fr. Cameron Nations

- 1. 12:32 PM, Fr. Cameron led our opening prayer and called the meeting to order
- 2. Determination of quorum
- 3. Approval of July meeting minutes
 - a. Dokie made a motion for approval of last month's minutes
 - b. Lucinda seconded the motion
 - c. The motion was approved unanimously
- 4. Senior Warden Report -- (Please see report on Realm)
 - a. Pauline advised planning for August 20 Ministry Fair
 - b. Pauline mentioned Brian has continued working with Liza updating our website
 - c. Pauline advised we are making updates to our parishioner database
 - d. Pauline advised that we are expecting an update from David Todd on Visioning Reports next month
- 5. Junior Warden Report -- (Please see report on Realm)
 - a. Jeff advised that we are over budget for property and utilities for the month of July
 - b. Jeff advised we have made some minor repairs including trip hazards on walkways
 - c. Jeff advised that we still have WIFI problems that are being addressed
 - d. Jeff discussed a sales tax refund that we are due from the State of Texas, the check was lost (accidentally mailed to diocese), another check will be sent directly to St. Richard's
 - e. Jeff advised that the school project is 90% completed, fence and a few minor items yet to be completed
 - f. Large table has been removed from vesting room, table to be re-purposed
 - g. Jeff discussed that we are past due for a 5-year fire prevention test, this will be scheduled soon
 - h. Jeff discussed the future of St. Richard's landscaping work. Some of this will need to be added to the budget
 - i. Jeff discussed the need to eventually replace some older AC units
- 6. St. Richard's Preschool Report -- (Please see report on Realm)

- a. Fr. Cameron followed on Jeff's report re: upgrade with new covered areas with sun-shade, Astroturf, and picnic tables
- b. Fr. Cameron advised there are some new school board members including Justin Nordhausen.
- 7. Rector's Report (Please see report on Realm)
 - a. Fr. Cameron discussed last Sunday's very successful kickoff event
 - b. Fr. Cameron advised that leaders will be keeping headcount of various events and activities
 - c. Fr. Cameron reiterated that David Todd will soon share the Strategic Visioning Report, a Vestry meeting for this to be scheduled by November, and the plan to be rolled out in January
 - d. Fr. Cameron advised all St. Richard's Vestry members to let Jenn know the email address that we wish to use for MS Teams
- 8. Emergency Preparedness
- a. Don advised there will be an Emergency Preparedness Fair on September 22
- b. Don discussed adding an emergency planning page on the St. Richard's website. Fr. Cameron will work with Brian to accomplish this.
- c. Jeff discussed responses to emergency events will be discussed on ongoing Vestry meetings, and also updates to the congregation on emergency plans and responses
- 9. St. Richard's Vestry Executive Session
- 10. Pumpkin Patch discussion
 - a. Warren advised that pumpkins will not be delivered on pallets this year, Stony Point ROTC will assist again, and advertisements will be going out in local publications, Facebook, etc.
- 11. Closing Prayer