

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting

March 28, 2021

Members Present: Kay Alexander, Rev. Keith Yamamoto, Ken Drew, Edwina Golightly, Dean Billman, Larry Shade, Jay Chok, Sharon Muehlbacher, Andrea Griffin, Marcia Godwin, Vicki Levario (clerk), Carol Morgan

Members Absent: None

Opening prayer given by Dean Billman.

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 PM.

Vestry Resource Report – Kay Alexander gave report on post-pandemic church life. Question of resuscitation vs. resurrection to address being a church in the new normal. What pre-pandemic ministries are no longer needed vs. what new ones are needed? New members need to be included that have only been digitally connected. The pandemic has changed so much of our lives and that of the church. On-line identity of the church is the common practice of most churches which makes strong competition for attendance. Many suggestions were given to address the new reality of our church services.

Approval of agenda – Approved.

Consent Agenda – Approved.

Finance – Question raised about the deficit – awaiting information on the next PPP loan but things look about the same month to month. Many factors impact the financial status currently and discussion occurred regarding these various factors. Vestry asked to approve the financials for audit – S/A.

Vestry asked to approve the maximal loan payment for either April or May. Attempting to make more principal payment each month. The payment would be 20% of the loan amount. M/S/A

PPP Loan – Still pending at this time. Original March 31st deadline is extended. There are new documentation requirements for the second loan which are taking some time to gather. The loan amount is around \$224,000 which needs to be spent within 24 weeks. This should be resolved this next week.

Budget – This needs to be revisited each meeting to address the ongoing issues with the budget.

Old Business: Easter Sunrise Service – Carol Morgan gave update. We will hopefully have a sound speaker for the service. 51 people have reserved a seat for the service. Volunteers are signed up for the set-up. Last day to register is tomorrow.

Bishop's Visit on April 25th will be indoors at 50% capacity with 75 in the church and 75 in the parish hall. There are five candidates for confirmation. Vestry will be co-sponsoring all the candidates. Voluntary contribution will be nice for the confirmation gift.

Vestry meeting for April in question due to the Bishop's visit that same day. Keith will ask him if he is willing to discuss social issues impacting the church – for example the homeless population or issues/emotions due to the school closure. Could his remarks be made at the end of the service since people will be there in a safe spot? Digital presence will be made available. Monday, April 26th at 6:30 PM will be the next vestry meeting.

New Business – Diocesan discernment cost for Julia is \$770. The church is expected to pay 1/3 of the total. M/S/A

Action Items:

Marcia – March's action items in progress. April will be completing the PPP application and tentative budget to apply those loan amounts.

Ken – Working with Katherine still and working with the PPP loan.

Edwina – Met with Susan Mackel and working to safely reopen Sunday School.

Jay – Not involved with loan work. Video created with Jackie and sent to Julia. No activity with the summer camp partnership. Attend meeting with summer camp partners.

Andrea – Completed March items. Will complete the "Meet the Vestry" survey for April.

Kay – Attend as many meetings as possible. Continue to make announcements. Sent out chart for vestry members for tasks. Send out entire Resource Report.

Larry – Attend April 12 Worship Meeting.

Dean – March assignment continuing through April. Fundraising should be addressed sooner than later.

Carol – Membership Committee has 3 members with one more possible. Will attend educational seminars. Asked vestry members to complete survey in her report. Easter Sunrise service activities.

Sharon – Completed March assignments. Will be gone for most of April.

Executive Session: Held.

Closing prayer given by Ken Drew.

Meeting adjourned at 3:18 PM.

Submitted by,

Vicki Levario, clerk

