

TRINITY ANGLICAN – VESTRY MINUTES

June 25th, 2023

In attendance: Peter Johnston, John Guillory, Sam Hawkins, Bill Cober, Dana Andrus, Dave Buckless, and Scott Comeaux.

- I. Prayer-led by Peter from the Book of Common Prayer.
- II. Confirm Quorum & Secretary-Quorum confirmed and Dana Andrus-secretary; Approve Minutes-Sam made the motion to approve minutes, Dave seconded it. Adopt Agenda-John made the motion to adopt agenda, Sam seconded it.
- III. Vestry Rotation
 - a. Vestry: Accept Holly Hunter's Resignation-Dave made the motion to accept resignation, Sam seconded it.
 - b. Rector: Identified Scott Comeaux as a new Vestry member. Sam pointed out an individual paid by Trinity cannot be a member of the Vestry. Scott explained that the payment goes to the person who does the bookkeeping work for the church. It is only paid through Scott. Payment will now go directly to as recommended by Bill, seconded by Dave. Passed unopposed.
 - c. Vestry: Vote to Approve Scott Comeaux to fill Holly's term- John made a motion to accept Scott to replace Holly for her term, seconded by Sam. No one was opposed.

IV. Reports

- a. Treasurer-Scott passed out an email summary. Overall, we are doing well. We have a surplus of \$4,000. We budgeted \$6000 for music and \$12000 for marketing/evangelism for 2023. We are under budget in these two areas right now. These may be spent later in the year. Special Events balance includes money from the fish fry, Camp Hosanna, etc.
- b. Rector's Warden-Discipleship Event with the Bishop was well attended. Hunters are here and Adam is raising money and pursuing qualifications for ordination in the Fall. Anglican Compass-hired a full time/part time editor (30 hours a week), who is an associate pastor in Louisville. He has experience with web development. The website may be revamped in the future.
- c. People's Warden-from Dave
 - i. Clean-Up & Grounds Maintenance-The playground has been damaged. Kids are taking rocks, bricks, and cinder blocks into the playground and damaging the playground. He is also worried that a child or an adult could be hurt if rocks or bricks fall from the top of the playground and hit someone.
 - d. Outreach-The committee developed a calendar for the rest of the year. They are looking for additional volunteers and wanted to share volunteer opportunities. They discussed using a wall calendar for the year. (A calendar that the congregation can take home with all of the activities.) Dave suggested that we use some of the artwork in the parish on the calendar. They would like to have a ministry fair in August. All of the ministries would be represented, which would give the congregation an opportunity to get information and to sign up for the different ministries in the parish. August 20th is a tentative date for the ministry fair.
- e. Rector
 - i. Children

1. Camp Hosanna Recap-Peter gives thanks for the volunteers who helped with the camp. The camp included 25 kids and eight adult volunteers.

2. Ideas for Camp Hosanna Follow-Up-would like to continue to do some of the activities throughout the year, such as other gatherings on Sundays or weekday events or a mini-event for 1 or 2 days.

V. Old Business

- a. Deck (Bill & Dave)-A little over \$5,000 is left in the account for the playground/deck project. The footprint of the deck is there. Nathan is making a gutter, but it has not come in yet. Sod was put in. Ideas to complete the project: bench seating around the tree, cedar fence to block the A/C. Put a railing on the south end. \$5900.63 is the estimate for those additions. A discussion took place regarding the addition of a safety rail around the deck. The open side would be facing the playground. Bill recommended we should table this discussion until the next meeting. Dave seconded the motion to table it.
- b. Bylaws Proposed Change (Peter)-Peter sent proposed language, which was discussed in the last vestry meeting, to Michael Dearman, but hasn't heard back from him yet. Dave requested to send it to Aaron as well. (This is in regard to the membership.) Peter will send it once Aaron returns from his time off.
- c. Sanctuary Amplification (Peter)-Peter has communicated with Josh, who will plan a trip to look at the amplification.

VI. New Business

- a. Sanctuary Expansion-Peter presented an overview of expansion. Current church capacity is at 100.
- i. Create Sanctuary Expansion Committee-Would like to at least double it. (This committee would explore the option within the congregation.) Composition of the Sanctuary Expansion Committee: Bill Cober (Chair), with additional Vestry & Trinity members who are interested. This is an exploratory committee. They would not have authority to take action. They would explore options for expansion, estimate costs & revenue capacity.
- ii. Authorize Initial Site Plan & Architectural Drawing (around \$7500 total, \$2500 from Trinity general fund). Graham Goodyear, who designed the Westminster Chapel, gave the above estimates for site plan and architectural drawing. There are 2 donors who are able to fund 2/3 of these fees. 1/3 would be requested from the vestry. This gives an estimate of cost of the expansion as well as drawings of the expansion project.
- iii. Authorize Application to Leaderworks Trust for Capital Campaign Grant-The Leaderworks Trust funds the exploratory phase of the capital campaign. They do an initial analysis of a church to see how much the church is able to raise. There is a \$10,000 initial analysis, which is paid for by the Leaderworks Trust. This gives an estimate of revenue.

Expansion was discussed. Ideas regarding a second service were also discussed. The second service would either eliminate the need for the church expansion or would be needed while construction is taking place. Scott made a motion to create committee, authorize initial site plan and architectural drawing, and authorize application to Leaderworks. Bill seconded and made the motion to start an account for a capital campaign. Sam said that people want the two services as opposed to the church expansion at this time. The two options (holding two services versus church expansion) were further discussed. It was suggested to handle each motion independent of the others since there was disagreement about the best plan at this time. Dave proposed an amendment to do just the expansion committee within Trinity, which passed unopposed. Bill proposed to authorize application for Leaderworks Trust Capital Campaign Grant, which was seconded by Scott. All were in favor and the

motion passed. Scott made the motion to authorize the initial site plan and architectural drawings, Bill seconded the motion. 4 opposed the motion, 2 were in favor. The motion was not approved.

Peter closed the meeting with a prayer.

VII. Announcements

- a. Summer Clergy Schedule – Jeffreys off in June, Johnstons off in July after July 5th.
- b. August 27th – Vestry Meeting
- c. August 20th – Ministry Fair
- d. September 8 & 9 – Women's Conference