

The April Vestry Meeting of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Dayton, Ohio was held on 16 April 2024.

5:35 pm Call to order: M Miller

Opening Prayer: O Anderson

Present: D Cunningham, M Miller, S Alexander, O Anderson, B Neben, K Walters, C Strine, C Campbell, J Cario, L Bumiller, B Tanner, J Furmanski

Absent: D McClain, J Woodhull

Guest: Randy Young

Motion to Adopt Agenda

Motion to approve: J Furmanski

Second: D Cunningham

Motion Carried: Acclamation

Review of 19 March 2024 Meeting Minutes

Approval of 19 March 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve: M Miller

Second: C Strine

Motion Carried: Acclamation

Property & Finance Committee Report: M Miller & B Neben

Finance committee discussed funding Fr. Dan

Fr. Dan agreed to a voluntary pay reduction for the 2024 calendar year, and was inadvertently overpaid in the first months of the year

Finance committee recommends (1) ceasing all compensation to Fr. Dan after May 5 – the mandatory 90 period of the Title IV per the canons of the Diocese of Southern Ohio and (2) “clawing back” the overpayment noted above

For the period ending March 31:

The deficit is getting worse

Pledges are down

Open plate is up

Insurance and utilities are up

Irish Spring event on April 13 did not have proceeds

The rental property at #701 Far Hills Avenue has been vacated

Finance recommends increasing the rent for the rental property

Vestry agrees that the rent should be increased \$1800 and a new tenant obtained ASAP

A parishioner - purchased and installed a new garbage disposal in the main kitchen and the vestry is very grateful

Warden's Report: M Miller

Senior Warden is out of town

Had discussed a stewardship celebration on April 26, but that might be too soon to plan
Program year is coming to close on May 19, so maybe wait until after that
Maybe do a luncheon on Sunday June 2
Could be a joint newcomer and stewardship celebration
Might be helpful to form a vestry subcommittee to plan this
Need to schedule a meeting with the Bishop either before or after her visit on May 12
Meeting would be in the evening after 5pm
M Miller will reach out to the Bishop with our availability to see what works for her
The vergers are going to take a summer sabbatical
Dayton Yoga is going to close, so they will not need Room 12
Clerk will send out a draft of the minutes within one week of the meeting
Kate Furmanski, C Campbell, and K Walters will help with parish communication efforts,
including Subsplash, social media, etc.

New Business

Bill Coffin is moving and can no longer be Finance Committee chair
Randy Young has agreed to serve the unexpired term of the Finance Committee chair.
Motion to Appoint Randy Young as Finance Committee Chair: B Neben
Second: S Alexander
Motion Carries: Acclamation
\$5000 was appropriated for Sher Patrick for 3 months
Only \$2800 has been spent so far
Sher has been putting out the weekly email
Volunteers could start putting out the weekly email
Some people feel that the newsletter is fulfilling its purpose
The website, app, and social media are a little lacking
For now, desire is to continue with Sher Patrick's services until the \$5000 is spent

Old Business

Discussion about delaying work on the organ as a cost-saving measure
Delaying work is not possible as the contract has already been signed and approved
Funding for the organ is a capital expense, not part of the operating budget
Worship team is going to meet to make a plan for the next 90 days

Motion for Executive Session: J Furmanski

Second: J Cario

Motion Carries: Acclamation

Executive Session - 6:35 pm

Motion to leave Executive Session: B Tanner

Second: K Walters

Motion Carries: Acclamation

Leave Executive Session - 8:23 pm

The following motion was put forward as a result of Executive Session:

The Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Oakwood, Ohio requests the Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio make an appointment of a Priest-in-Charge.

Motion: D Cunningham

Second J Cairo

Motion Carries: Acclamation

Motion to Adjourn: M Miller

Second: C Strine

Motion Carries: Acclamation

8:24 pm - Adjourn