

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
**Vestry Minutes**  
**17 September 2024**

**Members:**

+Fr. Christian Baron	+Jay Woodhull, Sr. Warden	+Mike Miller, Jr. Warden
+Bob Neben, Treasurer	+Randy Young, Finance Chair	+Linda Bumiller
+Stan Alexander	+Joe Cairo	+Charlie Campbell
+Dana Cunningham	+Cheryl Strine	+Kathleen Walters
+Bee Tanner		
+ In attendance	- Absent	

**I. Call to order/opening prayer:** Father Christian called the meeting to order at 5:30 and offered a prayer. Bob Neben took minutes. Jay read the Gospel for today and everyone discussed today's Gospel.

**II. Reviewed and Approved 20 August Minutes:** Bee moved they be approved as distributed and Mike seconded. Unanimous approval.

**III. Financial Report and Recommendations:**

- Randy passed out a deficit analysis of fixed costs. He mentioned that this has been slowly happening for several years. We need to cut costs and increase income. Last month had very low income; the deficit stands at over 31k. There was a question about the Employee Retention Credit request from the IRS (60k) – no action has been taken so far.
- Randy then discussed the August Treasurers report and the Balance sheet. We accepted both reports.

**IV. Executive Session:**

- Mike moved we enter Executive Session, Charlie seconded and it was approved at 6:07.

During Executive Session the vestry took action by simple majority pertaining to the pastoral relationship with Fr. Dan McClain.

Motion: to reach out to Bishop White to initiate Canon XVI section 24 to dissolve the pastoral relationship with Fr. Dan McClain.

Motion carried.

- Bob moved we exit Executive Session, Stan seconded and it was approved at 7:23.

**V. New Business:**

- Columbarium non-member pricing has been tabled until the next Vestry meeting.
- We discussed the annual convention held at the Robert's Center on November 22 and 23. Several of our delegates are no longer members of the church. We will email the original four people to see if they plan to attend, if not we're looking at sending Elliott Haller, Paul T, Sue Falter, and Linda Bumiller. We also need the Nominating Committee to look for replacements for three Vestry members when their term expires. We would like to have the names for 5-7 people that would be willing to serve on the Vestry.

**VI. Old Business:**

- Jay mentioned that the Church Bylaws have been revised in draft form.
- Mike has a Zoom call tomorrow about the Communications Director position.
- Mike discussed locking up the church on Sundays. There will be a walk around of the entire church after services next Sunday for all Vestry members. People will be assigned responsibility on a monthly basis for two people to insure everything's secure after services. We will also provide a checklist to aid in this task.
- Father Christian read a brief Properties report from Pete Whitby.
- Several items were tabled until the next Vestry meeting including Outreach Committee report, Parish Life social, and Communications. The action steps include information from the Nominating Committee.

**VI. Adjourn:** We adjourned at 7:45. Jay said a closing prayer. The next Vestry meeting will be on October 15, 2024 at 5:30pm.