

Vestry Meeting – August 23, 2016

United Community Bank Incorporated, Greenville.

Attending: Harrison McLeod (Rector), Sam Erwin (Sr. Warden), Bill Hardaway (Jr. Warden), Bill Kehl (Chancellor), Nelson Arrington, Dena Benedict, Tom Croft, Chris Klasing (Treasurer), Wayne McDonald, Bryant Nixon, Ben Norwood, Chuck Reichert, Beth Smith, Lizzy Sterling, Betty Teague, Brent Williams, Rose Cuddy (Recorder)

Absent: Dan Seaman (Assistant Treasurer), Louise Oxner.

July Minutes

The July Vestry Meeting minutes were distributed by email prior to the meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Wayne McDonald and seconded by Dena Benedict. All voted in favor, none were opposed.

Rector's Report

Harrison reported on a smooth transition from the Church to the All Saints Center August 7. The embellishments to the All Saints Center have made it a more worshipful space.

Harper Construction and Garvin Design Group architects will be proposing a timeline that will be published when the contract is executed, hopefully at the Vestry meeting in mid-September. Incentives and penalties that will help keep the project on a timeline are anticipated to be written into the contract. Based on his experience in the industry, Bryant offered advice on wording that can be helpful.

Brent Williams asked about attendance numbers for the last two Sundays. Harrison reported that numbers are up.

Senior Warden's Report

No report.

Junior Warden's Report

No report.

Treasurer's Report

Chris asked for any questions on the routine monthly reports. None were forthcoming. He proposed that the Hatch Fund, which was set up for large maintenance expenses, pay Johnson Controls the \$32,500 rental fee for the temporary unit used for the Church from April to August 7. Ben made the motion, Tom seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none were opposed.

Chris also included a status report on the upcoming budget process. He welcomed and encouraged Vestry attendance at the Budget Committee meetings.

Departmental Reports

Pastoral Care will offer a CPR/AED class Sunday, August 28, from noon until 2:00 PM.

Chuck Reichert reported that a last Transition Team follow up meeting will be held next week. Please let him know of any issues that you would like addressed.

New Business

AED Protocols: Harrison asked for a motion to approve the protocols prepared by Dr. Ben Horne and Lauren Smythe, Parish Nurse. Nelson Arrington made the motion. Lizzy Sterling seconded. There was no discussion. All approved, none were opposed.

Sterling Hope Center Board Candidates: Wayne McDonald made the motion to approve Anna Toates and Drake Curry, candidates for the Sterling Hope Center Board. The motion was seconded by Betty Teague. There was no discussion. All approved, none were opposed.

Chancel and Chapel Design Update: Harrison presented the artist's rendering of the Chancel design for sound and false pipes that provide a visual anchor for the new organ console. The aesthetic pipes would be adjacent to, but were said to not obscure, the rose windows. Discussion ensued. Concern was that the pipes, which would extend eight inches, would obscure the view of the windows. Harrison said he would like to have a mock up in place by the September meeting.

Harrison also presented the latest design for the St. Luke's Chapel, which replicates the look of the church. The only difference in the two renderings was either a chair rail or paneling below the stained glass windows. Brent asked about music that would be available in the Chapel. Speakers will be available, but this question will be addressed.

The design elements were presented as information for the Vestry's consideration at this meeting. A decision on both design elements will be necessary by the September Vestry meeting.

2017 Stewardship Statement: Nelson Arrington read the 2017 Annual Giving Stewardship Statement, which was distributed by email and hard copy prior to the meeting. He made the motion to adopt the pledge as presented. Brent seconded. No discussion. All voted to approve.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Vestry members then attended a social with members of the Annual Giving Cabinet and Resource Development Director Lauren Sigmon before entering the Annual Giving Cabinet's presentation of the 2017 Campaign. Notes from the presentation are attached.

Respectfully submitted by Rose Cuddy, Recorder

The Annual Giving Cabinet/Vestry Joint Meeting was convened at 6:20 PM.

Harrison opened the meeting with prayer.

Nelson Arrington read the 2017 Annual Giving Statement adopted at the Vestry meeting prior to the joint meeting.

Harrison's remarks included the timeline for the campaign.

Beth and Stephen Puckett are the chairs of this year's campaign. Ashley and Tom Reynolds are co-chairs and will serve as chairs of next year's campaign.

Stephen Puckett gave a presentation in which he discussed his family's personal journey at Christ Church. Their volunteer activity began in the infant room with their small children.

He addressed the goals of the 2017 campaign.

- 800 Pledges
- 75 New Pledges
- 125 Returning Pledges
- 250 Increased Pledges
- 2.4 million
- Over a six week campaign that kicks off October 2 and runs through November 13.

Harrison introduced Lauren Sigmon, Director of Resource Development.

Lauren addressed the group and described her background at Christ Church, where she was married five years ago, and how she feels called to now ask others to participate the way that others once asked her.

Harrison then spoke to the group and gave a presentation regarding the various aspects of the Restoration of the church and the church family as well, with the Annual Giving Campaign as a part of that experience for the church. As we experience Restoration going into the future, he referenced the Vestry and Staff emphasis on the themes of Collaboration, Communication and Engagement.

Harrison expressed his thanks to Sam Erwin and United Community Bank for hosting tonight's meeting, the Vestry for their support and encouragement, the staff for the incredible ministry they offer, to Lauren, to Beth and Stephen Puckett and to the entire Annual Giving Cabinet.

Stephen added that the capital giving campaign exceeded the goal, therefore, the high expectations set for the annual giving campaign is not impossible to achieve.

Harrison closed the meeting in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

