Vestry Minutes – January 22, 2025

Submitted by the Clerk of the Vestry

Members in Attendance

Father Perry Mullins, Rector Chris Mathew, Sr. Warden Scott Patterson, Jr. Warden Jackie White, Treasurer Jamie Stephens, Clerk EJ Nowak Judy Shaw Todd Snively Katrinka Clark Tye Stewart Courtney Williams Michelle Hayden Ray Murphy

Julia Fox

Members Not in Attendance

Sara Hosford

Non-Vestry Members in Attendance

Mother Katherine Heitmann Stephen Ruscheinsk Benjamin Gerald Sharon Hashem Laura Hill Clayton Powell

Call to Order, Prayers, Consent Calendar

Meeting was called to order at 7:19pm. Mtr. Katherine prayed over the vestry concerns and St. Peter's. Tye read the mission statement and Todd read the vision statement. Michelle discussed her scripture statement and what it meant to her.

The consent calendar was approved unanimously by the Vestry.

Announcements

Fr. Perry made the following announcements:

• Next Meeting: Wed, 2/19 @ 7:15pm

We also welcomed new vestry members and had them introduce themselves.

Discussion

Resource Churches by Ric Thorpe (Ch. 10 - Afterword). In place of the discussion, Fr. Perry asked the Vestry to go around and share their thoughts on how the book can resonate with St. Peter's and how we can incorporate it.

Business

Stewardship Update - Outside of the January stewardship campaign, they are trying to share information and excitement about the different ministries at St. Peter's. There will be a mailing to

two different groups, those that have pledged and those still considering it asking them to consider tithe and making an official pledge.

Balcony Expansion Discussion - Architect has confirmed that it is feasible to make the expansion but there is a concern on the timing. There is a question on if this should be considered in long range planning vs an intermediate consideration. The price is unknown at this point and would also need to consider electrical, HVAC, and possible ADA compliance. Joe advised the sound would be dramatically better and carry across the whole chapel. The Vestry agreed they would be ok with voting at the next vestry meeting for the approval of the initial architectural planning step.

End of Year Financials and Surplus Approval - A surprising budget surplus is available of approximately \$20,000. Financials approval was deferred until next month so that the year-end accruals could be entered first, but Jackie explained the financials will not change drastically.

Fr. Perry ceded the chair to the Sr. Warden, and after discussion, the following resolution was adopted:

Surplus Resolution

Whereas, St. Peter's Episcopal Church does not budget bonuses for the staff;

Whereas, St. Peter's Episcopal Church has an operating surplus for the year 2024;

Therefore, it is hereby resolved that St. Peter's will accrue \$12,250 in 2024 operating expenses for staff bonuses to be allocated at the Rector's discretion;

And it is resolved that St. Peter's will accrue \$4,000 in 2024 operating expenses the Rector's bonus;

And, it is resolved that St. Peter's will accrue the remaining funds from the 2024 operating expenses to the Capital Improvement fund.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Chris Mathew and seconded by Scott Paterson. After unanimous approval, the meeting ended at 9:41pm.

Approved:	Date:2/19/2025
	Signed:
	Jamie Stephens, Clerk