St. Mark's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting Minutes March 6, 2024

Present: Fr. RJ, Leslie Redmon, Sr. Warden; Beth Bletzacker, Kent Clark, Joe Hoot, Ken Jaeb,

Rick Werren, Kathy Wise

Not Present: Sara Strattan, Jr. Warden; John Willoughby

The meeting was called to order at 5:34pm with devotion and prayer provided by Ken.

Leslie **motioned** to accept the minutes of the February 22, 2024, meeting. Joe seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Wardens' Reports

• Senior Warden

- o ECW will have a luncheon this summer and invite members from other area parishes.
- Leslie clarified that the 70th Anniversary Committee is part of the Social Committee. The next meeting is in June.

Junior Warden

o No report.

Rector's Report

- We have 4 parishioners who will be received by the Bishop at a regional confirmation service on Saturday, March 16, 2024, at St. Paul's Medina.
- Geoff and Fr. RJ attended the webinar "Hybrid Church: More than Streaming" which talked about how to leverage the streaming we are already doing to increase our visibility, and to minister to and attract more people to St. Mark's.
- Fr. RJ is exploring the idea of a hybrid Zoom Bible study.

Liaison Reports

- It was established that Committee Liaison reports are not required every month and can be given only when anything notable is going on, or if Vesty involvement is needed.
- Rick reminded the Vestry that aluminum cans are still being collected and are to be put in the shed by the back door. Proceeds are earmarked to help purchase soap and washcloths for the Sunday School's Outreach Project of hygiene kits for Hope Outreach.

Buildings and Grounds

- Our mild winter saved us a lot of money since our parking lot rarely needed salted and plowed.
- Items requiring attention are the timer on the water softener and flickering lights that need bulb replacements.
- The issue with the floor in the offices may be caused by a drainage problem.

Old Business

Facility Rental

- The Building Use Policy and Agreement documents were reviewed, and several changes were noted. Sections will be added for a hold harmless agreement and a no-vaping stipulation.
- o It was noted that we are not a place of public accommodation, and we do not necessarily want to rent to those who do not have a connection to the church or Weaver, although the Rector does have final approval.
- Joe **motioned** to approve the Building Use Rental Agreement as discussed with all amendments. Beth seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

• Stewardship Committee

o The Vestry was asked to help find people to serve on the Stewardship Committee.

New Business

Yoga Classes

- o Parishioner Beth Julian is a certified Yoga instructor and would like to host Yoga classes in the undercroft. She has offered to donate 10% of what she collects to the church.
- o Beth **motioned** to allow Beth Julian to hold Yoga classes in the undercroft. Rick seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31pm with a **motion** by Leslie, seconded by Joe, and approved unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Leslie will provide the Reflection and Prayer for the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk