

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Special Vestry Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2020

Present: Fr. Gaston, Derek Gordon, Sr. Warden; Rhonda Warren, Jr. Warden; Beth Crowl, Linda Deuble, Grace Giammarco, Bruce Hixon, Marcia Kiesling, Beck Rand, Caroline Willoughby, John Wise

Excused: Bob Kennedy

Guest: Joe Hoot, Chairman of Search Committee

A special meeting of the Vestry was held following the Annual Meeting on January 19, 2020.

The purpose of the meeting was to establish regular meeting times, elect the Junior and Senior Wardens, and familiarize the new Vestry members with the role of the Vestry in the Search process.

The meeting was called to order at 10:54am.

Fr. Gaston opened the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting Times

- Meetings will continue to be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30pm in the church library.

Election of Junior and Senior Wardens

- Fr. Gaston **nominated** Derek Gordon to be the Senior Warden. Marcia seconded the nomination and the nomination was approved unanimously.
- Derek **nominated** Rhonda Warren to be the Junior Warden. Beck seconded the nomination and the nomination was approved unanimously.

Search Committee

- Joe reviewed the role of the Vestry in the Search process.
 - The Search Committee will present one candidate to the Vestry.
 - The candidate is chosen by the Search Committee, not the Vestry.
 - The Vestry needs to approve the candidate.
- The Search Committee plans to expand our search efforts to seminaries and will do so with Fr. Gaston's help with writing letters. Fr. Gaston indicated that he would be willing to stay 2-3 additional months to help a new seminarian learn about running a church.

Fr. Gaston closed the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 11:07am.

The next regular meeting is Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Violand
Clerk