

St Stephens Episcopal Church Vestry minutes 7/14/2020

In attendance: Kathy Deciantis, Dave Eldon, Ken Fuhr, Don Ingersoll, Joan Morgan, Phil Pierce, Amy Redmer, Sheryl Schmidt, Miranda Spates, Dave Stein, Mo Sharon Voelker, Gretchen Waters, Pat Wojas

Dave Eldon gave an opening prayer and everyone did a check in. June minutes, the Rector's report and financials were approved on the consent calendar.

The Social Media plan was approved.

Dave Stein is working on Phase 3 of the Reentry Plan. The Vestry decided there was no need for a sign up to close the church for now. Phil Pierce reported on the Diocesan Technology Committee meeting. Dave Stein reported that a parish Communications Committee will meet July 20, 2020. Dave Eldon reported on building improvements.

The parish bylaws need to be reviewed and updated. Sheryl Schmidt, Don Ingersoll, Phil Pierce and Gretchen Waters volunteered for this. Don Ingersoll and Dave Stein will check with the two people who conducted prior parish financial audits to see if they will conduct the 2019 audit.

A needlepoint guild has asked to rent the parish hall. Dave Stein will draft an addendum to the parish rental agreement addressing Covid to ensure that groups renting the parish hall will comply with safety measures and groups can rent, on a case by case basis. He will also determine the parish hall capacity since groups will be limited to 25% of that capacity, and he will find out what additional cleaning fees will be. Deposits for unused rental contracts will be returned.

Mother Sharon requested clarification on her unused vacation time. She has identified 3 parishoners to be trained as worship leaders and who can lead morning prayer in her absence.

Dave Stein and Mother Sharon met with Jim Gettel from the Diocese. For now, the clergy search is cancelled. Dave Stein would like a special Vestry meeting in the next two weeks to address this.

Pat Wojas got quotes for banners for the church and they were higher than expected. This is tabled for now.

Mother Sharon gave a closing prayer.

Submitted by Joan Morgan