

The Vestry of Calvary Episcopal Church
September 10, 2024 Vestry Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Term Expires:

January 2025

Debbie Pohler - **Present**
Greg Bethke - **Present**
Rick Lane, Sr. Warden - **Present**
Fred Steinkamp - **Present**

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John Bradshaw - *Not Present*
David Cook - **Present**
Oscar Lozano, Jr. Warden – **Present**
Sonia McGrath - **Present**

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Brandon Campbell - *Not Present*
Steve Evans - *Not Present*
Lori Hoy – **Present**
Ashley Vakulenko - *Not Present*

Ex-officio members

Scott McLemore, *Treasurer – Not Present*
Kathy Haley, *Clerk – Present*
Bill Daw, *Chancellor – Not Present*

Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon – Not Present
Rev. Ralph B. Morgan, Rector - Present

Opening and Devotion

The meeting opened in prayer by Fr. Ralph at 6:31 pm.
Debbie Pohler gave the devotional.

Business

Meeting Minutes for the August 6, 2024 Vestry Meeting were reviewed.

Motion: Fred Steinkamp made a motion to accept the Minutes as presented. Sonia McGrath seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The Treasurer’s report (prepared by Treasurer Scott McLemore and included in the vestry packet) was presented by Greg Bethke.

Motion: Oscar Lozano made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Debbie Pohler seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The finance committee has a budget meeting on October 19, 2024 at 9am for the first pass of the 2025 budget. Vestry is invited to attend.

Rector’s Report – Fr. Ralph presented the Rector’s report. See report in APPENDIX for details. Vestry elections will be held on October 27, 2024.

Sr. Warden’s Report – Rick Lane presented the Sr. Warden’s report.

* Rick reported that the renovation is going well. He talked with Betsy and got clarification on some of the change orders.

* Rick provided information on active shooter training. He continues to do research along with Brandon Campbell and Steve Evans.

Jr. Warden’s Report – Oscar Lozano presented the Jr. Warden’s report (included as an extra handout).

Formation

VPOD schedule was reviewed.

Old Business

Fire Drill procedures are put on hold until the Sanctuary reopens.

New Business

Motion: Oscar Lozano made a motion for Calvary Episcopal Church to sponsor a hole at the Calvary Episcopal School Golf Tournament for \$250.00. Lori Hoy seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Closing – Fr. Ralph gave a closing prayer.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Action Items

* Fr. Ralph will contact the Diocese about choosing a day in September or October for the renewal program. – **Closed**

* Debbie to plan a reception for John Brun and Kay Hardee.
(February 20 update: firm date cannot be committed to at this time). Fr. Ralph will get a card and gift for Kay Hardee – **Closed**

* Rick Lane, Brandon Campbell and Steve Evans to develop an emergency response plan for Calvary. (Will have an update for the July meeting) – **Open**

* Fr. Ralph will add to the agenda for the May meeting a discussion of the ministry map.
(Postponed until the July vestry meeting) – **Open**

* Rick Lane and Brandon Campbell to research active shooter consultants. – **Open**

* Rick Lane to meet with Betsy Zanghi and return with more clarity on the Capital Campaign Project change orders at the next vestry meeting. - **Open**

Minutes Submitted by Kathy Haley, clerk

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Rector's Report for September 10, 2024

- The diocese asked us for numbers for this year, less than, greater than or equal to.
 - According to my calculations by guessing, I figured we were doing about the same of a little better than last year. According to Anns S.'s numbers, which are more better, she determined about the same as I did. That's a good sign.
- William has started work and I think you will see a few changes this weekend in the announcement page and prayer list. You might also see a change in the E-blast on Thursday. All good. Suzette is working with him and getting him on board with things we do and he is a quick learner but keeps coming to me and saying, "Can I change this" or "what do you think about this"? Great news.
 - He also is excited about the children's ministry and it's start this past weekend.
- We are at the point to offer Sterling Overshown a contract as our new organist
 - I asked this last month and didn't get much. What are your thoughts and what have you heard? If there is nothing, I would like a vote of support in this offer.
- John Bradshaw sent out an email earlier today. He has two requests of us
 - First to make a donation to the school annual fund. They ask teachers for 100% participation and I would like to ask the Vestry to do so also. The church used to have a line item in the budget to support our LARGEST OUTREACH ministry. But because of tight budget strings, we had to back off of that- a little at first but now completely. It's up to you, all John is asking is that you participate – the amount isn't important.
 - The second thing is – the annual golf tournament is coming up. Any support towards that would be wonderful. Form a team, be on a team, sponsor a hole or volunteer.
- Pot luck dinner this coming Sunday – I hope you all will be able to join your Sunday night parishioners.
- We are nearing Vestry Election time. We can talk about names in the vision part of our Formation time. Also I'll share with you the dates we have in mind.
- Stewardship theme and dates are set: Walk in Love will be the theme. (see insert)
- We will talk about VPOD schedules during Formation
- We are going to make a donation to The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem in Rabbi John's name

That's all I have for now. Thank you all for what you do and why you do it.



Date: 09-10-24

Rev. Ralph B. Morgan, Rector
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