



Vestry Minutes

9 March 2015

Attendees: David Abbott, David Ball, Ashley Bracken, Andrew Britton, Jen Courtney-Keyse, Jack Denman, Tim Dunbar, Tamra d'Estrée, Suni Devitt, Larry Kueter, Mike McCall, Anna Pendleton, Jane Schumaker, Robert Hendrickson, Elizabeth Marie Melchionna, Jadon Hartsuff, Liz Costello, Kim McPherson, Mike Orr, Tara Williams

Guests: Bishop Robert O'Neill, Ray Stranske, Mandy Rigg

Absent: Ned Rule, Peter Eaton, Charles LaFond, Stephen Tappe

Opening Prayer: Liz Costello

Call to Order: 7:18 PM Larry Kueter

Summary of Action Taken:

- The Vestry expressed its thanks to Ray Stranske and Mandy Rigg for all of their hard work in moving this project forward.
- Appointment of the Audit Committee: Chuck Thompson, Jay Swope, Tom Barrett: approved
- Noble Gas lease: the Finance Committee recommends that the lease payment received be used to reduce the 2014 budget deficit: approved
- Revision of the Finance Committee's Charter: approved
- The Vestry expressed its thanks to Fr. Charles LaFond for organizing the Art of Hosting weekend.

Consent Agenda Items:

- Approval of Minutes from the January 31, 2015 meeting
- Approval of Minutes from the February 9, 2015 meeting
- Approval of Minutes from the February 15, 2015 meeting
- Approval of the corporate banking resolutions regarding signatures on the Cathedral's bank accounts
- Approval of the 2014 Parochial Report

Formation: Elizabeth-Marie Melchionna, Chapter 9 of *Cultivating the Missional Church: New Soil for Growing Vestries and Leaders*

Clarkson Task Force/Saint Francis Center: Ray Stranske and Mandy Rigg

- Robert Hendrickson reported that negotiations with the Argonaut to modify the parking lease are proceeding
- Lease option to Saint Francis Center: a 1-page summary and draft of the proposed lease option were distributed and discussed. The lease option must be signed by May 1st in order to meet this year's schedule for Tax Credit funding from the State. There may be changes to the draft distributed.
- The name of the proposed building will be Saint Francis Apartments at Cathedral Square
- The Vestry formally requested a detailed listing of the legal and design fees and other costs and potential liabilities to the Cathedral resulting from entry into the lease option agreement.



- Bishop O'Neill noted that the Diocesan Standing Committee must approve both the renegotiated parking lease with the Argonaut and the lease option agreement before the Clarkson Corporation/SJC can sign them. This will require prompt notice and require a bit of time.
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Clergy/Staff Reports: no questions or comments

Senior Warden's Report: Larry Kueter noted that the next Vestry meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14th and asked Vestry members to review Vestry Reading Schedule to ensure they can participate. He called for adoption of the consent agenda items, which was done.

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Metro CareRing Community Garden: deferred until the April meeting

Finance Committee: Andrew Britton requested Vestry approval for the following three items:

- Appointment of the Audit Committee: Chuck Thompson, Jay Swope, Tom Barrett
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Each of these resolutions were moved, seconded, and unanimously approved.

Art of Hosting weekend: The Vestry expressed its thanks to Fr. Charles LaFond for organizing the Art of Hosting weekend.

Vestry Potluck: Tim Dunbar has volunteered to organize this annual event. A Doodle pole will be issued shortly to determine the best date.

Adjourned in to Executive Session with Vestry members and Bishop O'Neill regarding Dean transition issues at 8:35 PM.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:00 PM.