

July 18, 2023 Vestry Meeting

Sam Ferguson, Rector, began the meeting by reflecting on Article Four of the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion and then prayed.

The Vestry was given a report on the Christian Healing Institute (CHI) from Dan Tello, CHI Board Chair, and Suki Decker, CHI Secretary. Chuck Cook, CHI Board member, presented the CHI's financial data and FY 2024 proposed budget. The Vestry voted to approve the FY 2024 CHI budget.

Tom Yates, Finance Committee Chair, presented the proposed FY 2024 church operating budget which is slightly more than six percent higher when compared to the FY 2023 operating budget. Anne Gentry, Personnel Committee Chair, informed the Vestry of recent decisions made by the Personnel Committee to change the health care insurance and how the changes would impact the FY 2024 budget. The Vestry voted to approve the FY 2024 operating budget.

George Connors, Treasurer, presented the financial report. June contributions were significantly below budget and June expenses were significantly above budget due mainly to the payment of two months' office rent in the same month. Year-to-date net operating income is above budget. For the LLC, June Income was as budgeted and June expenses were slightly below budget. Year-to-date net operating income for the LLC was above budget.

Vestry members Scott Thompson and Randall Rhodes presented recommendations from the Outreach Committee to send donations to Eleventh Hour Network and Alexandria Young Life. The Vestry approved both recommendations.

Curt Yeo, Executive Director, presented a recommendation to send financial support to Corpus Christi Anglican Church in Springfield, VA. The Vestry approved the recommendation.

Peggy Aderton, Register, presented the minutes from the June 20, 2023 Vestry meeting. The Vestry approved the minutes.

Whit Jordan, Senior Warden, presented changes to the CHI Board membership. The Vestry approved the changes. Whit thanked the Vestry Liaisons for sending in reports about their ministries and departments. He also thanked Vestry members for signing up for duty at the Vestry table on Sundays.

Kristen Short, Junior Warden, presented an update on recent activities at the church, including the very successful Vacation Bible School.

Kelly McFadden, Governance Committee Chair, presented three Governance Committee resolutions. The first implements the Vestry's vote to reduce the number of lay members of the Vestry from 18 to 15. The second resolution adds that any person desiring to become a member of the Church is also required to complete a new member or confirmation class and be interviewed by a member of the clergy, the Vestry, or a lay person designated by the Rector. The third resolution further defines the eligibility criteria under the bylaws for "regular contributor." The Vestry approved the resolutions.

Steffen Johnson, Youth Director Search Committee Chair, presented an update on the youth director search, noting that a candidate and his wife will be on-site this coming week for meetings and interviews. Steffen asked for prayers over the coming week's meetings.

Curt Yeo presented the Executive Director's report and highlighted the success of the recent Vacation Bible School.