

St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Annual Meeting Minutes
January 29, 2023

11:32- **Welcome and Call to Order**

11:35- **Procedures for Eligibility**

11:37- **Approval of Minutes from January 2022 Annual Meeting**

1st- Bill Florescu 2nd- Kathryn Mlsna

Approved Unanimously

11:39- **Thank you to Outgoing Vestry Members**

- Steve Martinie, Genevieve Vassell and Judy Young

11:40- **Introduction of Nominee for Office**

-John Johnson, Judith Miller, and Jim Rice

Motion to approve as slate

1st- Vince Katter 2nd- Kathryn Mlsna

-Approved Unanimously

11:42- **Election of Parish Officers and Convention Deputies**

Motion to approve Diocesan Convention Delegates:

Primaries: Susan Rohde and Ethan Vander Leek

Substitutes: Craig Frizzell and Randy Miller

1st- Ellie Mister-Keller 2nd- Sandy Boltz

Approved Unanimously

Motion to reelect Wardens

1st- Genevieve Vassell 2nd- Michelle Mooney

Approved Unanimously

11:47- **Treasurers Report**- See attached

A. Motion to approve Bylaw Amendment as presented by Finance Committee and Vestry

1st- Judith Miller 2nd- Barbara Costanzo

Approved Unanimously

B. Questions that were brought up

1. TFE Endowments- Who makes decisions?

a. TFE and Finance Committee recommends with Vestry making final approval.

2. What is the role of the Vestry in directing investments?

a. Financial Committee recommends with Vestry making final approval

3. Can we create more lines as needed?

a. Advisements from TFE and Diocese is that less is more.

1. Less restrictions and easier to direct funds appropriately.

4. What happened to the Outreach Committee?

a. Was replaced by Community Partners Committee

1. We are establishing deeper connections with partners.

b. How are endowments/trusts funds use decided?

1. Community Partners Committee recommendation and Vestry making final approval.

5. Building Budget-
 - a. Will talk about more when we have more info.
 - b. Diocesan Assessment
 1. Based solely on annual giving pledges.
 - c. Could we rebuild if not able to balance a budget?
 1. Yes and no, if we can't raise the money needed we may need to postpone the rebuild or look at alternatives.
 - d. Capital Campaign
 1. We would have to revisit every three years, potentially till we pay down the mortgage.
 - e. Fundraising for an Assistant Priest Position?
 1. Discussion about focusing on position and not person.
 2. We should focus on balancing the budget first and not operating on a deficit budget moving forward.
- C. Giving at St. Marks-
 - a. Switching to Breeze to cut costs and make giving easier
 - b. Adding Venmo QR code to bulletin.
 - c. Issues with getting credit from IRAs in Telling process.
 1. Vestry review

11:53- **Senior Warden's Report**- See Attached

12:55- **Building Committee Report**- See Attached

Motion to have Building Committee send out monthly reports
-has been moved in the past with no follow-through.

1st- Meg Edwards 2nd- Jayne Heffron

1:10- **Rector's Report**- See Attached

Questions that were brought up.

-Do we have a chair for the Capital Campaign Committee?

-Can we get monthly updates from the Capital Campaign Committee?

- Can we post reports/updates on website or somewhere public that we can all access?

-Ian will follow-up with Sara Bitner and think about logistics.

1:25- **Prayers for those who died in 2022**

Sophie Parker- 1st female Vestry member in diocese.

Robert Kruezing

Eleanor "Mimi" Wainwright

Mary Willock

Joan Kuehl

Mark Barr

1:26- **Adjourned**

1st Brooke Frizzell 2nd Vince Katter