

St. Alban's Episcopal Church
Minutes of Vestry Meeting (AS APPROVED)
Wednesday, April 19, 2017 – 6:30 pm

Vestry Officers Present: The Rev'd Geoffrey Hoare (Priest-in-Charge), Laura Ingersoll (Senior Warden), Rich Turner (Junior Warden), Hollis McLoughlin (Treasurer), Emily DiBari (Secretary).

Vestry Members Present: Adrienne Allison, Ivan Fermin, Andrea Fraser-Reid, Tom Gustafson, Kristie Hassett, Marcus King, Sandy Kolb, Tomás Montgomery, Donna Palmer, Ken Patterson, Marty Welch; Emma Morrison (Youth Representative).

Staff: The Revs. Jim Quigley and Emily Griffin; Doug Dykstra (Director of Finance).

Others Present: Sandy Loether (Diocesan Delegate); Susan Morris and Kathryn Zoeller (WSA Representatives); parishioners Barbara Manard and Tom Jansen.

Call-to-Order: A meeting of the Vestry was called to order at 6:30 pm by the Rev'd Geoffrey Hoare. An opening prayer was offered by Sandy Kolb.

Report of the Nominating Committee: It was reported for the record that, by email vote on April 4, 2017, the Vestry accepted the slate of candidates for election to the Vestry and as Diocesan Delegate as proposed by the Nominating Committee:

For election to the Vestry (4 vacancies):	Adrienne Allison Michele Bond Emily DiBari Lucy Fraser Jane Schubert Heather Sondel Brett West Anton Vanterpool
For election as Diocesan Delegate (1 vacancy):	Ted Swett Alex Todd

The Vestry also accepted lists of alternate willing candidates to run if necessary. [VESTRY ACTION 2017-04.01]

On the suggestion of the Senior Warden and Sandy Kolb, Nominating Committee chair, it was agreed the slate of Vestry candidates should be presented on the ballot in random order (*vice* alphabetical order), and Emma Morrison did a blind-drawing of the candidates' names to determine the order, which was announced to the Vestry and recorded by Tom Gustafson.

Approval of Minutes of March Vestry Meeting: As the March minutes were not yet prepared, their approval was deferred to the April meeting.

Rector's Report: Geoffrey Hoare had previously circulated a written report. (Attachment A) He orally noted that next week he would be attending the annual Urban/Suburban Clergy Conference – a longstanding invitational gathering of a couple of dozen leaders of large Episcopal churches around the U.S. that serves as an immensely valuable resource for sharing of experience, ideas, preaching, and theological reflection, with this year's guest theologian being Kayleen Asbo. He noted that he had participated in the group for a number of years, and was grateful that his call to St. Alban's enabled him to continue with it.

Senior Warden's Report: Laura Ingersoll reported orally that her recent work had mainly been in support of the considerable and important work of others.

Other Reports: The Vestry accepted written reports of Associate Rectors Jim Quigley and Emily Griffin, and Assistant Rector Debbie Kirk. (Attachments B-D) [VESTRY ACTION 2017-04.02] Junior Warden Rich Turner orally reported that the anticipated work on the Organ would be moving ahead.

Treasurer's Report: Supplementing written financial reports, Treasurer Hollis McLoughlin noted that the only Reserve Fund draw approved so far this year is the \$45,000 assigned for the Organ repair/refurbishment project. He also advised that upon recommendation of the Finance Committee there would be a slight reallocation of the parish assets held in the Vanguard Fund, so as to take advantage of the current strong market – from 60% equities and 40% bonds, to 65% equities and 35% bonds.

The business of the Vestry being concluded, the Vestry members and others present read aloud Edwin Friedman's fable, *The Bridge* (Attachment E), and Geoffrey Hoare led a half-hour reflective discussion based upon it. At 7:30 pm, Geoffrey Hoare led a concluding prayer.

Following a brief Executive Session, the meeting concluded at approximately 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Emily DiBari, Secretary