

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Exton

MINUTES of the VESTRY MEETING

January 14, 2019

Present: Art Christensen, David Kissane, Peggy LaGarde, Susan Mislick, Susan Pigott, Peter Schiller, Kathy Sheridan, Gail Yard; **Staff:** The Rev. Maxine Dornemann, Kathryn West, **Guest:** Steve Choc

Absent: Peter Adams, Joanne Gillespie, Paul Heinmiller, Bil Longua

Maxine opened the meeting with a prayer and a reading about St. Hilary of Poitiers.

Approval of Minutes

Peggy moved to approve the December minutes as written, Gail seconded, motion passed.

Finance Report

Maxine read Paul's report. She thinks we need to spend a little more time on the 2019 budget, and we will revisit it next month when Paul is present.

We will vote on a 2019 budget at the February Meeting.

Peggy moved that we commit to paying the \$4,500 Diocesan Pledge, Gail seconded, motion passed.

Stewardship

There are over 100 pledging families this year, the most we have had so far. Maxine showed a short video about why people give, and Craig Miller has offered to advise us at no charge.

Community Garden

Steve explained the budget request for the Garden, including some new items needed for the bees, a third hive in order to strengthen the community, and new wood for the beds and gate. Sunset socials and other social activities will continue this year.

Property Committee

The plumbing repair in the Montessori School has been completed and paid for by the School, and the painting paid for by the church. The stucco on the side of the church has been repaired.

The Strategic Planning Committee will meet and report back on progress to the Vestry.

Upcoming Events

Maxine will do an Instructed Eucharist on January 27.

Rise Up Against Hunger will be on February 2nd at Church Farm School.

Rector's Report

Environmental Expo will be on Saturday, May 4. We will be trying to get sponsorships of \$5,000.

The next Vestry Meeting will be on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn West