

**Church of Saint John the Divine
Parish Council Meeting
January 17, 2017 7:00 PM
Denson Lounge**

ADOPTED MINUTES

Attendees: Jim Harlick (chair), Alastair McCollum, Gillian Hoyer, Trish Punnett, Penny Holt, Tony Abbott, Rhoda Brodie-Smith, Trevor Elton, Doug Sheepwash, Gillian Barlow, Michael Zenger, Duane Lecky, Patrick Sibley, Heather Lee

Regrets: Joan Huzar, Graeme Brown (vestry clerk)

Guests: David Stratkauskas, Derek Dunwoody, Tony Barlow

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Alastair led Parish Council in prayer.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

The chair welcomed guests.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- Moved by Alastair that the agenda be adopted.
- Seconded by Duane
- Carried

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2016

- Moved by Jim that the minutes be adopted.
- Seconded by Penny
- Carried

REPORTS

Ministry Report – Alastair

- Wardens
 - Speculated about replacing deputy wardens, whose term is three years, with assistant wardens on a one-year term or similar. Deputy wardens are not governed by canon. Proposal to vestry presenting a 1-year assistant wardenship elected at vestry. They will assist the wardens and there will be 1 to 3 of them. Considering this for the vestry in spring 2018.
 - At the end of the year a person could be re-elected. The duties would be the same as the warden's share now.
- Vision
 - Wants to form a group to take the results of the Quo Vadis study

Action by

Need
volunteers

<p>to generate a vision of what SJD should focus on.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastoral – Gillian Hoyer reported on this part of the Ministry Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gillian is attending a pastoral care workshop and is looking for suggestions of people to also attend. This can be either members of the pastoral care team or people interested in becoming part of the pastoral care team. <p>GVAT – Rhoda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GVAT is well received by members of the congregation and Rhoda asked permission to establish a GVAT working Group. • Motion - St. John's GVAT Support Group asks PC to approve the creation of a "Working Group" to act as a focal point to co-ordinate and support existing and future social justice and outreach activities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moved: Rhoda ○ Seconded: Alastair ○ Carried <p>Property Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new chair of the committee has still not been identified • The new signs on Quadra Street have been installed. • Duane will call a meeting of the existing members of the committee. <p>Finance Report – Heather Lee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .There is no report as the year-end accounts are being prepared and will be presented at the vestry on March 5th. <p>Music Report – David Stratkauskas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David distributed his report which is attached • The organ committee will consist of David, Patrick and Michael Gormley. The committee currently has authorisation to spend up to \$10,000 and part of this will be used to repair the swell box. • Motion – that David and all participants be thanked for the wonderful music through Advent and Christmas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Moved: Alastair ○ Seconded: Penny ○ carried <p>Motion by Penny that all reports be accepted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seconded: Michael • Carried 	<p>All PC members to suggest names to Gillian Hoyer</p> <p>Duane</p>
<p>ACTION ITEMS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nomination Committee – Trish Punnett <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is progressing and a request for nominations has been placed in the leaflet. A full report will be presented at the February PC meeting 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress on Communications – Rhoda Brodie-Smith <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a communications template that Alastair was to review with staff. The template is for people to use to advertise events. A person is needed to distribute completed templates and get the advertising out. Jim will ask carol Ann to send a copy of the template to Rhoda. • Progress on Volunteer Fair – Trevor Elton <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trevor is investigating possible dates for the fair. 	<p>Jim</p> <p>Trevor</p>
<p>CONTINUING BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of Finance Workshop – Jim Harlick <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jim received good feedback on the workshop, as had other members of PC 	
<p>FEATURE DISCUSSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget - Jim <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A budget committee consisting of Jim, Duane and Joan has been formed ○ 50% of pledges have been returned, with many people making sacrificial contributions. The result is pledges are up this year. ○ The budget will be presented to PC for review before vestry and will be more detailed than previously. 	
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapel Refurbishment – Rhoda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report attached 	
<p>ANNOUNCEMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alastair announced that planning is in progress for several services and musically supported meditation will be provided along with movie nights, conversation times, a FOCUS course on St. Paul offered at St. John's, and more. 	
<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 21, 2017 7:00pm Denson Lounge • Gillian Barlow to do opening prayer <p>ADJOURNMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Michael to adjourn at 8:35pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Carried <p>Prayer</p>	<p>Gillian B.</p>