

2014 Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church

The Annual Meeting of St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church was held January 25, 2015, in the East Parish Hall. There being a quorum present, the meeting opened at 12:35 PM with prayer by Senior Warden Bob Bess who chaired the meeting. He introduced the Rev. Scot McComas, who has accepted the call to serve as Rector of St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church. McComas thanked St. Martin's for conferring such an honor on him, and expressed his joy in coming to such a dynamic parish. Jim Wilson nominated Glenda Morehead to serve as clerk for the meeting, Annette Mayer seconded the motion and Morehead was elected.

DJ Mitchell moved the minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting be approved as printed in the Annual Parish Report booklet. Dick Seeber seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

Current Vestry members present were introduced and acknowledged by a round of applause by the parish members present. Those whose terms end today are Bob Bess, Aubrey Hardman, Joe Panther and Joel Walker. Those going off the Vestry were presented with personalized bookmarks stitched by Tricia Raffaell.

2015 Vestry Election

The Senior Warden introduced the seven nominees for Vestry, one of whom will serve a two-year term, and four of whom will serve the usual three-year term: Gregory Anderson, Bob Bess, Jack Bolerjack, Charles Busey, Mev Matulevich, Courtney Mullaney and Gary Wilkinson. There were no further nominations from the floor. The nominees who are not elected to the Vestry will be considered alternates and may be called on to serve if or when a member of the Vestry should resign during the coming year. The Senior Warden appointed Jack Bailey, Aubrey Hardman, Paula Jefferson and Joe Panther as counters for the balloting. The counters collected the ballots and retired to count them.

2015 Delegate Election

The Senior Warden introduced the nominees for 2015 Diocesan Delegates: Gregory Anderson, Tom Bolerjack, Marty Hitchcock, Susan Kleinwechter, Ayo Omoniyi, Becky Snell, Joel Walker and Kathy Watson. The following responded to a request by the Senior Warden for volunteers to serve as alternate delegates: Francine deLongchamp, Shawn Higgins, Karrie Marling, Mary Ellen Matulevich, and Linda Snow. Chris Mullaney moved the delegates and alternates be elected as named. Jim Wilson seconded the motion and the delegates and alternates were elected by acclamation.

Financial Report

Senior Warden Bess introduced Diana Panther, Treasurer of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, who plans to retire as treasurer today, and Jan Rees, St. Martin's new Financial Manager. He also introduced Doug Watson who is expected to be elected by the Vestry to succeed Panther. Treasurer Panther reviewed the budget approved by the Vestry for the coming year.

Report of Vestry Election

The counters returned to announce the results of the election of new Vestry members. Those elected to the Vestry were Gregory Anderson, Bob Bess, Jack Bolerjack, Charles Busey and Courtney Mullaney. The names of unsuccessful candidates are kept on file, and those individuals may be asked to fill any vacancies occurring on the Vestry throughout the year. In the called Vestry meeting immediately following this meeting the Vestry will vote to elect a Senior Warden for the coming year and to determine the person who will serve the 2 year Vestry term. As required by canons they will also vote to choose a Jr. Warden, Clerk of the Vestry and Treasurer for the coming year.

Recognition of Search and Profile Committees

The Senior Warden thanked Jim Wilson and all his committee who worked to create the Parish Profile which was such an important tool in the search for a new Rector for St. Martin's. He thanked Richard Cabes and all his committee for their work in completing the process to find and recommend to the Vestry the well-qualified candidate the Vestry then voted to call. He especially thanked all the members of St. Martin-in-the-Fields for their prayers, guidance and patience during the search process which is now complete.

Praise for St. Martin's Episcopal School Board and Staff

There was acknowledgement that the past year has been a difficult transition time for St. Martin's Episcopal School. The Senior Warden recognized the board and staff of the school for their continuing leadership and enthusiasm for the future. The future of our school is in good hands, and will be aided by the incoming Rector's experiences in Episcopal schools.

Final Remarks

Parishioners were referred to the printed reports in the Annual Report booklet. Senior Warden Bob Bess thanked the Rev. Scot McComas for coming to be with us today.

The Rev. Scot McComas closed the meeting with prayer.

DJ Mitchell moved the meeting be adjourned, Shawn Rees seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Glenda Morehead, Clerk