

# Calvary Episcopal Church Minutes

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING  
May 14, 2019

As Fr. Paul Wehner's last vestry meeting, the May 2019 meeting was called to order following a meal at Clancy's Pub by Sr. Warden Amber Zentis at 6:34 PM. The vestry said an opening prayer for the parish.

Vestry Members Present: Betty Best, Eric Cain, Angela Cooley, Roy Haley, Jim Kidda, Frank Lemkowitz, Oscar Lozano, Missy Marek, David Taylor, Bob Watts, Don Whitehead and Amber Zentis.

Also Present: Fr Paul Wehner, Rev. Lecia Brannon.

Vestry Members Absent: None.

Eric Cain led the vestry in a devotional based on cognitive behavioral therapy and Christian teaching.

## Review of April 2019 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed for accuracy and approved, following a motion to approve by Bob Watts which was seconded by Don Whitehead.

## Finance Committee Report

- \* Finance Committee was unable to meet last week due to inclement weather. A review of the Analysis of Revenues and Expenses reveals offering was up by \$15,000.00 and expenses down by \$9,000.00 this year.
- \* During March 2019 meeting, it was discussed that Calvary would seek a different company to perform the annual audit, but noted that the asking price by Ryan and McGinnis, who did prior audits, was competitive. Missy Marek made a motion that Calvary retain their services for this year's audit and Betty Best seconded. The motion passed.

## Rector's Report

- \* Calvary Connection Weekend was a success, with about 19 adult attendees Friday and 14 Saturday.
- \* Calvary will host Episcopal Strong, an event bringing together Episcopal youth groups and adults from throughout the diocese and the country who want to help with Harvey relief efforts in the summer of 2019. Approximately 80-100 EYC youth will stay in the Family Life Center gym at nights for one week and leave to work on projects in Brazoria County during the day. Portable showers will be brought in. Calvary Church will provide one meal on Sunday night.
- \* Bishop's Visit—The Rev. Canon Kathryn (Kai) Ryan, who will be ordained and consecrated June 1 as Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas, will preside October 6 for the annual Bishop's visit to Calvary.
- \* Because of this, Episcopal School Sunday will be changed to Columbus Day weekend, October 13, and Parish Retreat will be moved to October 18 through 20.
- \* Upcoming schedule: May 26 is Senior Sunday. Delaney Harris will do the homily for the 8:00 service and Brody McLemore for the 10:30 service. Friday June 7 is Fearfully and Wonderfully Made at the George Observatory, weather permitting. Sunday June 9 is the Pentecost Picnic and Fr. Paul's last Sunday. June 17 - 21 is the adult mission trip. On Tuesday, June 25, the Myers Foundation, school board and vestry are required to meet. Vestry must attend and may bring their spouses.

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- \* School Board of Trustees Minutes from the February 26, 2019 meeting were presented to the Vestry with Calvary Episcopal Preparatory's upcoming schedule and a list of student accomplishments. . A search firm has been hired to find a replacement for Malcolm Smith, who will retire at the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

### Associate Priest's Report

- \* Adult Formation wraps up May 19, and ideas will be presented for summer self-study.
- \* The Rev. Canon Kathryn (Kai) McCrossen Ryan will be ordained and consecrated in Austin by Presiding Bishop Michael Curry at Westover Hills Church of Christ in Austin on Saturday, June 1, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, followed by a reception at St. Matthews Episcopal Church in Austin. She will be the eleventh Bishop Suffragan of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas. RSVP to [epicenter.org](http://epicenter.org) is requested for those planning to attend.

### Sr. Warden Report

- \* Pentecost picnic on June 7 will be catered by Swingin' Door Barbecue so Calvary members can all enjoy time with Fr. Paul without being encumbered cooking.
- \* Calvary members are encouraged to contribute to the Memory Book gift to the Wehners.
- \* The Calvary Episcopal Foundation approved capital repairs for the Jesus window and some of the roof repair.
- \* The Diocese has not contacted Amber Zentis regarding the transition process, so she will contact them again.
- \* Bob Watts had purchased discount tickets for the vestry to enjoy an Astros game with Fr. Paul and his family. There are still 8 or 9 left for vestry members interested in purchasing them.

### Jr. Warden Report

- \* The May 7 rain event caused flooding in the west end of the last school building due to the sand bags being inaccessible, but thanks to the school personnel, the water was removed as were baseboards, and sheetrock that had gotten wet. The following day, sandbags were placed to prevent future flooding and cleanup began. Planning is required to prevent future flooding.
- \* Ideal Impact met on May 1 and began work by weatherizing buildings and installing thermostats set to 72 degrees during building usage and 95 degrees at other times, except in the school library. Lighting in the school will also be replaced to enhance comfort and energy savings. It is noted the thermostats cannot be set lower than 72 degrees.
- \* Roof leaks: The roof over the Brides' room/ comfort room off the narthex is flat and leaks. Ideally repair would include building up a slant to reduce pooling of water, for which the estimated repairs would cost \$8,500.00. The Calvary Foundation is willing to donate \$5,000.00 from a designated gift for roof repair. Angela Cooley made a motion which Betty Best seconded to proceed with the aforementioned repair using these funds, and the motion carried.
- \* Oscar Lozano inspected the youth building for roof leaks following the May 7 rain event and found it dry. Duran Roofing was asked to resubmit the bid to repair rotting fascia boards in the school building with a reduced scope of work from their prior estimate.
- \* There is no news on the status of the City of Richmond re-zoning the house on the corner of Austin and Union Streets.
- \* The Boy Scouts have proposed a Boy Scout project to install a wheelchair ramp for the Youth Building. It will begin at the parking lot across from the church and enter the north door of the building.
- \* The Spring work day was a success, with 13 participants working a total of 35.5 hours, cleaning out the pews, vacuuming the sanctuary, power-washing the courtyard, cleaning office windows and cleaning up debris from the yard.

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- \* The kitchen freezer finally gave out and the new freezer has been purchased and installed.

### Committee Reports

- \* Membership: Newcomers Welcome party will not be held at the Wehners' on May 19. It will be scheduled to another location at a later date.
- \* Supper Club at the Cooks' was a success with over 35 attendees. The next Supper Club will be June 28 at Lisa and Frank Traylor's.

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### New Business

- \* Bob Watts reports that the Kairos international organization is requesting monetary contribution from Outreach Initiatives for their overall work. Calvary has a limited budget for local Kairos closings, of which this request would be in excess. Because of the good work Kairos does in reaching and encouraging our incarcerated "brothers in white" in the Body of Christ, Jim Kidda made a motion that Bob Watts seconded to provide them a contribution of \$500.00. The motion carried.

### Old Business

- \* There was no old business.

The vestry said a closing prayer.

At 8:34 PM, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by / David Taylor, Clerk