

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE VESTRY
GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA**

CALL TO ORDER: The Vestry meeting convened on April 29, 2019, at 7:00 PM in the Grace Center Conference Room. Stuart opened with a prayer.

VESTRY MEMBERS/OFFICERS PRESENT:

Polly Jones, Senior Warden
Adam Hazell
Charles Kelley
Stan Lewis
Jean Parks
Scarlet Pendarvis
Gail Sargent
Dan Scott
Doug Smith
Mike Whitmire

ABSENT:

Patrick O'Rourke, Junior Warden
Callie Flack, Treasurer
JoAnn Manning

STAFF PRESENT:

Rev. Dr. Stuart Higginbotham
Rev. Dr. Cynthia Park

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF MINUTES, FINANCIALS, TREASURER'S REPORT AND CONSENT AGENDA:

Kelley/Whitmire. Unanimous approval.

APPROVAL OF VERTISYS PROPOSAL FOR PCs AND WORKSTATION IMPLEMENTATION:

Finance Committee/Hazell. Unanimous.

DISPUTE WITH DexYP OVER ADVERTISING IN THE YELLOW PAGES: Chancellor Jason Voyles submitted a letter outlining the situation. Since there was never a signed contract, the Vestry agreed that the amount in dispute will not be paid. Kelley/Pendarvis. Unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- All present signed a form from the Diocese attesting that Laura Masterson can be ordained as a Transitional Deacon in December 2019.
- Stuart Higginbotham and Cynthia Park reported on a meeting they had attended with One Hall United on the morning of April 29 to discuss the lack of affordable housing. At the meeting, Grace offered to fund a full-page ad to show people where to seek help in times of crisis.
- Coming out in September: **Contemplation and Community: A Gathering of Fresh Voices for a Living Tradition**, edited by Jessica M. Smith and Stuart Higginbotham. The book can be pre-ordered now through Amazon.

- Highlights from the Cluster Reports:
 - **Participation:** May 19 is Picnic Sunday. There will be 8:15 and 10:00 services.
 - **Liturgy:** The Art Show ends at the beginning of May. The Friends of Music campaign is going well.
 - **Formation:** Vacation Bible School will be starting on June 24. Youth Sunday is May 12.
 - **Compassion:** The Pastoral Care subgroup met. Specific needs of two Parish families were brought to the attention of the Vestry.

On May 28 at 7:00PM, the Vestry, CVD, Jason Voyles and Tate O'Rourke will meet to discuss the Capital Campaign. This will replace the regular May Vestry meeting.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:05PM: The closing prayer was led by Cynthia. It came from page 461 of the BCP: Prayers for Ministry to the Sick.

Minutes recorded by Susan Lahey, Clerk of the Vestry