March 16, 2025 Mission Council Meeting St. Augustine Room Minutes

Members Present:	Dawn Barton
Zavier Harrison – Senior Warden	Barbara Luksik
Alex Maitland – Junior Warden	Lee McGay
John Phillips – Treasurer, ex-officio	Kimberly Norris-Jones
Lewis Brunson – Clerk	Father Charles Smith
Guest - none	

- Approval of Minutes of February 2025
  Barbara Luksik made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Zavier Harrison. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.
- II) Approval/Review of Financials John Phillips presented the February financial report. Barbara Luksik mad a motion to approve the February Financial Report as presented, seconded by Lewis Brunson. The motion passed unanimously.
- III) Old business
  - a. Group 1 Target Goal Grow Spiritually through Christian Formation (Alex, John, and Kimberly)
    - Group 1 will be working to promote the Taze service and recruit service leaders.
  - b. Group 2 Target Goal Grow Fellowship by creating a welcoming environment (Lee, Barbara, Lewis)
    - Group 2 will be working to create a list of members willing to provide rides to church events for folks that need transportation assistance. Lewis Brunson will write an article for the Guardian explaining how the program will work, and that safe church training is required for drivers. The group will work with Ayush to work out the details.
  - c. Group 3 Target Goal Grow Commitment by providing opportunities to serve (Zavier, David, Dawn)
    - Group 3 needs to meet and decide on the next steps.

- 1. Update for building use forms John Phillips and Dawn Barton are working on this. Dawn reported this is in process, some details that need to be addressed were discussed.
- 2. Areas of Responsibility
  - a. Finance, Endowment, ELC (John, Zavier, Barbara) John Phillips suggested having GC attend the next meeting to give a refresher on how the endowment works.
  - b. Formation, Communication, Faith in Action (outreach) (Dawn and Fr. Charles) A discussion of the status of the new website was held. Charles reported the new website is being reviewed with input from several people, and that it will be administered by volunteers from the church and ELC.
  - c. Worship, Ushers, Greeters, Evangelism, Community Events (David Perkins, Lee McGay) Father Charles reported he has started connecting visitors with members that are similar in some respects. He suggested having a process to do this and perhaps a regular event to welcome new members. Several MC members expressed interest in helping with this.
- 3. Nave Enhancements (Alex, Kimberly, Fr. Charles)

Father Charles discussed some possible enhancements including the suggestion from the Forum to space the pews to allow more space between them. The suggestion to engage a planner to help with this and other changes was made. A discussion followed about repairing and possible upgrade to the overhead lights in the nave. Lewis Brunson made a motion to approve spending up to \$5,000 on nave light repair, seconded by Kimberly Norris-Jones. After further general discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

A discussion on refinishing the pews was held. As they are partially made from particle board, a complete refinishing is not possible.

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## 4. Events Committee -

Father Charles reported that the events committee is meeting after the Mission Council meeting today.

5. Planning for Capital Improvements -

Father Charles reported that computer equipment replacements are needed. Alex Maitland will be working on this. Kimberly Norris-Jones made a motion to spend up to \$3,000 from the endowment to replace computers and buy docking stations, seconded by Xavier Harrison. The motion passed unanimously.

## IV) New Business

- 1. Appoint Michael Chandler to a 3-year term on on Churchyard committee Kimberly Norris-Jones made a motion to appoint Michael Chandler to the Churchyard Committee for a three-year term, seconded by Dawn Barton. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Alex Maitland reported that the well and pump that operate the irrigation system needs to be repaired, and fallen trees will need to be removed to get to it. Barbara Luksik made a motion to approve up to \$5,000 to repair the pump, move the trees and grind the stump at the rain garden, seconded by Kimberly Norris-Jones. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Barbara Luksik asked for clarification on the time for the community dinners. The dinners will be from 4:00 to 6:30 on the second Tuesday of the month.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kimberly Norris-Jones and seconded by Dawn Barton. The motion passed unanimously.

**Key Upcoming Dates** 

Feb 18 WWJB What Happens When We Die 6-8PM in Sturtevant

March 2 Jazz Mass followed by breakfast and mimosas

March 4 Pancake Supper 5-6:30 PM?

March 5 Ash Wednesday worship 6 PM followed by fish fry

Lewis A. Brunson, Clerk

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