Vestry Notes June 2022

The members of the Vestry: Matt Boutte (Sr. Warden) Kyle Fiedler (Jr. Warden) Sarah Davis, Anne Tarwater, James Nitschke, Adam Groenhuyzen, Jennifer Shelby, Gary Frasier, Todd Calder, Beth Adam, Cindy Glick, Ted Geer. Bob Myer, Treasurer.

A regular meeting of the Vestry was held June 28, 2022. Following an opening devotion, these items were discussed or acted upon:

Master Planning. Ben Adam presented the latest draft of a phased facilities/site master plan for the campus that will allow St. Helena's to live-into her mission in the years ahead.

Rector's Time. David Read gave the Vestry an update on current and near-term staff transitions. He asked the Vestry to pray for Whit Matteson, our former Choir Director, who is undergoing surgery and for sexton Linda Antu who was in an auto accident. He announced the hiring of Devvie Asel to be Communications Director and shared information regarding a new Curate. He gave thanks for the amazing adults, teens, and staff leading the largest Vacation Bible School in St. Helena's history. David shared that he will be a Deputy to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church meeting in Baltimore, MD in July.

Sr. Warden. Matt Boutte shared information regarding the role of Vestry members on Sunday morning, and on the work of the Diocesan Foundation which manages St. Helena's endowment funds.

Security. David Read led a discussion of church and school security. He has met with the Chief of Police in Boerne and they will be assisting with an assessment of our campus. Kyle Fiedler reported on options for improvements to exterior and interior doors of Wendler Hall. Increasing security, in conversation with St. Helena's School leadership, will be a priority throughout summer and fall.

Administration Sub-Committee. The Vestry adopted the minutes from the May meeting and reviewed the monthly and year-to-date financial reports. Income is ahead of expenditures for both the month and the year. A brief discussion was held on the impact of the fluctuating market on future income from endowment funds.

Buildings & Grounds. Kyle Fiedler reported on progress toward a new fence for the Hill House property. Beth Adam presented plans to significantly upgrade the Parish Hall.

Mission Sub-Committee. Sarah Davis reported on a back-to-school clothing drive and plans for a Mom's Prayer Group. The mission trip to South Dakota returns July 3.

St. Helena's School. School will be holding several summer camps. Enrollment for the fall is over 90. The financial position of the school is healthy.

Future Vestry Meetings: August 16; Sept. 20; Oct. 18; Nov. 15.