Christ Church Cathedral Minutes of the Vestry October 26, 2009

Vestry members in attendance: Charlie Cook, Hal Johnson, Thor Urness, Tobi Nolan, Scott Smith, Mary Herbert Kelly, Steve Lasley, John Whitaker, Susan Dupont, Dave Goetz, Christy Hooper, Catherine Clark, Ed Burgess Clergy in attendance: Anne Stevenson, Geoffrey Butcher, Gene Manning Also in attendance: Mark McQueen

The Vestry of Christ Church Cathedral held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, October 26, 2009. Charlie Cook called the meeting to order. In lieu of a meditation, the Vestry enjoyed an informative tour of the nave by Andy Grimes, one of the Cathedral Guides.

Warden's Time:

- The next meeting of the Vestry will occur on November 23, 2009.
- Dave Goetz volunteered to give the next Vestry meditation.
- Charlie Cook provided an update on the stewardship campaign. The average pledge is slightly lower than in 2009, but overall figures closely track 2009 data.
- Hal Johnson and Mary Herbert Kelly updated the Vestry on the details of the Kimbroughs' arrival for All Saints' Sunday. Mary Herbert Kelly announced that parishioners are invited to sign up now for welcoming parties at the Coke home on November 11 or the Graves' home on November 19. More of these welcoming events will follow.
- Charlie Cook announced that Tom and Katie Steele will host a luncheon for newcomers on November 8. He encouraged Vestry members to attend.

Report by Interim Rector:

Canon Stevenson expressed her enthusiasm for the enriching calendar of events at the Cathedral this fall. She informed the Vestry that the Rev. Kimbrough's recent meeting with clergy and staff had been encouraging to them, and that all are eager for his arrival. Finally, she added that two parishioners had graciously arranged for the gift of an icon which is to be placed in the chapel.

Approval of Minutes:

The following resolution was introduced and seconded: *Resolved, that the Vestry approves the minutes of its September 28, 2009 meeting*. Unanimously approved by the Vestry.

Vestry Time: Reports from Cluster Liaisons

Administrative: Ed Burgess submitted a written report. At the meeting he submitted the attached addendum to his report, correcting information about the Book Shop's budget.

The following resolution was introduced and seconded: *Resolved, that First Tennessee Bank is designated as a depository of the Cathedral, and that an account in the Bank in the name of the Dean's Discretionary Account be opened. Be it further resolved, that delivery to the Bank of funds, checks, drafts or other property, with or without endorsement, and in whatever manner endorsed, shall authorize the Bank to place the same to the credit of the Cathedral, under terms set forth in the Bank's Depositor Agreement and such credits may be withdrawn: (1) by debit card issued to the Cathedral as set forth in the Cardholder Agreement and Application, or (2) by check, draft, or other order executed for the Cathedral by any of the following persons: Charles W. Cook III, Hal B. Johnson, Timothy E. Kimbrough. Be it resolved, that the Bank is authorized to release Account information to the following persons upon request or inquiry: Larry Smith or Mark McQueen.* Unanimously approved by the Vestry.

Outreach: Thor Urness submitted a written report. He requested that the Vestry allow the Outreach Committee to change the recommended recipient of the Thanksgiving offering to St. George's Church, Baghdad, in light of recent bombings that have devastated the area. The following resolution was introduced and seconded: *Resolved*, *that the Vestry authorizes the Outreach Committee to designate either St. George's Church, Baghdad, or the Mobile Loaves and Fishes ministry, as the recipient of the Thanksgiving offering.* Unanimously approved by the Vestry.

Sacred Space: No written report was submitted. Susan Dupont informed the Vestry members about upcoming events, including the Messiah "sing in" on November 23 and "Score, Underscore" on November 13. The recent "Organized Rhythm" was an extraordinary event, although not as well attended as organizers had hoped.

Membership Care: No report was submitted.

Spiritual Formation: Catherine Clark submitted a written report.

New Business:

The following resolution was introduced and seconded: *Resolved, that the Vestry expresses its profound gratitude to Canon Anne Stevenson, to Canon Geoffrey Butcher and to the Reverend Gene Manning for their extraordinary gifts of leadership and service to the Cathedral during its search for a new Dean and Rector.* Unanimously approved by the Vestry.

Finally, Vestry members expressed their thanks to Hal and Dona Johnson for hosting the Vestry for dinner during the Rev. Kimbrough's most recent Nashville visit.

Old Business: None.

The meeting was adjourned by motion of the Vestry at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tobi Nolan, Clerk

Attachments and handouts:

Vestry Agenda, October 26, 2009 Vestry Meeting Minutes, September 28, 2009 Administrative Cluster Report, October 26, 2009 Finance Committee Report & Addendum, October 2009 Balance Sheet, September 2009 Budgeted Income and Expense Statement, September 2009 Attendance Sheet, October 2009 Outreach Cluster Reports, October 2009 Spiritual Formation Cluster Report, October 2009 Stewardship Data, October 2009