

Church of the Holy Nativity

Minutes of the Annual Meeting
January 29, 2017
Holy Nativity Sanctuary

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 am by Senior Warden, Austin Nakoa.

Opening Prayer Devotion:

Offered by Supply Priest, the Reverend Allison Dingley.

Minutes:

The minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting were taken by Bonnie Stevens. Ms Stevens passed away in October 2016, and the minutes have not been located, thus are not available for approval.

Appointments:

Lila Johnson was appointed Clerk to take minutes for this meeting.
David Callies was appointed Parliamentarian.

Recognition and Appreciation:

The current and outgoing members of the Vestry were introduced. Justin Donahue acknowledged a number of church members who have made special contributions this year through activities and leadership. He also recognized Holy Nativity School personnel, the Holy Nativity Church office staff, and the campus custodian.

Senior Warden's Remarks:

Nakoa highlighted the events of the last year by acknowledging many changes in the parish community. A new Vestry was elected; the Holy Nativity School Board was reconstituted, and the legal issues were resolved. He described upcoming changes in Vestry positions and the hiring of a new Interim Rector, the Reverend Luis Rodriguez, who will begin February 21, 2017. Anticipated challenges include the financial issues. Church contributions are down, there has been a declining membership, and the budget must be balanced.

Junior Warden's Remarks:

Eva Eglinton noted the numerous changes during the last year. She commented on the increased cooperation with the Holy Nativity School, citing a recent movie night sponsored by both the school and the church. The event attracted significant participation.

Financial Statement:

Wendy Yu, Treasurer, reported on the decreased revenue as compared with budget. Though pledges and contributions lessened, this was offset by increased facilities revenue. The 2017 budget was previously approved by the Vestry. Yu acknowledged the Finance Committee and thanked its departing members, Jeanne Nelson and Bob Skillman. She expressed appreciation to

church bookkeeper, Didi Wong and parish administrator, Aleeka Edwards.

Holy Nativity School Report:

Dr Jyo Bridgewater reported for Head of School, Tim Spurrier, noting the recent accreditation visit by the Western States Schools and Colleges (WASC). The self-study link is available online. Bridgewater announced the school's expansion to a new Seventh Grade Class for the next school year, followed by an Eighth Grade Class in 2018. Holy Nativity School joined the Christian Schools' Athletic League, providing basketball and volleyball competition for Fifth, and Sixth Graders.

Reports:

All reports of the program ministries are documented in the 2017 Annual Report. No oral reports were given.

Nomination of Vestry Members:

Names submitted for nomination to the Vestry were the following:

Wyn Aubrey Child
Nina Livingston
Natalie Okeson
Ken Zitz

Nominated from the floor:

Mark Slovak

Nomination of Delegates to Convention:

Nominated as Delegates from Holy Nativity to the 2017 Annual Diocesan Convention were the following:

Wyn Aubrey Child
Louisa Le Roux
Kathy Otani

Nominated from the floor:

Mark Slovak

Nominated from the floor for Alternate:

Barbara Abe

Appointment of Tellers:

Tellers appointed to count the ballots were the following:

David Callies
Bill Seeley
Penny Ennor

Closing Prayer:

Offered by Pastor Allison

Adjournment:

Results of the election are to be reported after the meeting.
The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am