

## **Chapter Minutes**

**Cathedral of St. James, Chicago**

**May 13, 2008**

### **Chapter Members Present:**

Jessica Abell, John Anderson, Mary Jo Barton, Bill Cospers, Phil Debush, Mary C. Downie, T.J. Ferrantella, Paula Harbage, Fran Horn, Richard Kelley, Duncan Moore, Cecelia Mowatt, The Very Rev. Joy Rogers, The Rev. Peter Siwek, The Rev. David Stanford.

### **Also Present:**

Bruce Barber, The Rev. Elaine Caldbeck, Lucia Cuevas, George Culver, Kevin Godsil, The Rev. Jackie Lynn.

### **Absent:**

The Rev. Larry Greene (excused), Judi Mason (excused), Cathe McEnerney (excused), The Rt. Rev. Jeffrey Lee (excused), Elsa Vaitnettel (excused)

### **Scriptural Passage and Discussion**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Joy Rogers presenting a video representing the Emergent Church, in lieu of a reading of scripture. All gathered shared their perspectives on the video.

Cathedral Chapter welcomed Lucia E Cuevas-Cathedral Manager, Operations and Finance.

Jessica Abell addressed the need for all of Chapter to complete the course, Keeping God's People Safe, by July 31<sup>st</sup>. She will be offering a condensed session between 5:00 PM and 6:30 PM on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> before Chapter meets with a continuing session on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda was proposed and accepted with a unanimous vote.

Items on the Consent Agenda were:

- Submission of Key Statistics
- Authorization to sign "Letter of Agreement" and "Letter of Mutual Ministry Agreement", retaining The Very Rev. Joy Rogers.
- Re-establish Tithing committee – This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and no action was taken on this matter.
- Acceptance of Financial Statements

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- Future Development Work – acknowledging a memorandum from the Treasurer requiring an authorization for any future expenditures on the Redevelopment Project that was recently cancelled.
- Acceptance of Minutes from April 11, 2008.

### **Old Business**

Mary Jo Barton reported that she is awaiting a response from committee members to decide which direction it is going to take on the matter of new alternatives for parking during Sunday workshop services and weekday volunteer activities.

### **New Business**

Cathedral Chapter presented the following items of New Business:

- Authorization for expenditure not to exceed \$12,000 for computer hardware, software, and network modifications for the Cathedral offices.
- Redevelopment Income/Expense Recap report – The Chapter reviewed the report of all Redevelopment financial activity to date.
- Authorization for expenditure not to exceed \$25,000 to reconstruct deanery kitchen.
- Cathedral Counseling Center – During this meeting, the matter of a letter signed in October 2005 by former Dean Ralph Blackman, committing the Cathedral to ten annual payments of \$25,000 each to the Counseling Center was presented and discussed. At the June Chapter Meeting, representatives of Cathedral Counseling Center will be present to continue the discussion.

### **Commission Progress Reports**

The committees on Administration, Property, Cathedral Community, and Finance gave brief reports on where they were, individually.

### **Adjourn**

On motion made and seconded, the business portion of Chapter meeting was called to adjourn at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kevin Godsil, Chapter Secretary