



**“Disciples of Jesus, Discipling in love.”**  
**VISION**

**Church of the Apostles glorifies God by celebrating the healing power of the Holy Spirit through prayer, praise and worship that overflows into community, living the joy of knowing Jesus as Lord and Savior.**

**Minutes of Vestry Meeting**  
**January 19 2016**

**Clergy present:** The Rev Joseph Acanfora

**Vestry present:** Andrew Blount, Jane Campbell, James Daffron, Tom DeSocio, Terry French, Lynne Harris, John Pope Tony Moscati, Paul St Andre, John Stock

**Vestry absent:** Tyler Aberle

**Intercessors:** Bobbie Zickel

**Administrator:** Gary French

**Finance:** Phil Rooney

- The meeting began with a time of praise and worship
- **Finance Update** - Phil and the finance committee gave a brief update of Church of the Apostles finances.
- **Building Update** - Gary and Phil spoke about the intention to purchase/rent land/building for the future needs of Church of the Apostles. We made an offer for the purchase of the land we are interested in which is located off route 29. This offer has been rejected by the owner, but he has yet to make a counter offer. We are aware from previous discussion that the owner is keen to make a fast closure. Phil Rooney has been in discussion with banks to make assurances that everything can be closed quickly. Michael Henretty is checking all the legal requirements so that when things start to move we are ready. Vestry discussed the possibility that we now go back with another offer, with the added incentive that we can go quickly to closing.
- Gary also looked at a building to rent, situated on Waples Mill/Route 50. The building is 7,000 square feet and is owned by Virginia International University. They are looking to sublet. They rejected our offer but seem more agreeable to our offer to take half the space. However, they want more than we had set aside for in the budget. Michael will follow up to find out how much square footage it is, then we can make an offer that we can afford within the budget. Vestry were asked to vote so that Gary can continue to negotiate with the owners agent. Terry so moved. This was seconded by John Pope. The motion carried.

- **Letter** - vestry received a letter from two members of staff regarding pay cuts. Vestry discussed the issues related in the letter and will respond.
- **Vestry nominations** - The campaign will start this weekend to ask members to pray and search their hearts about the possibility of standing for vestry. Vestry members will speak to both congregations in the coming weeks.
- **March For Life-** An all day conference on Thursday January 21 at the Falls Church followed by a service on Friday morning hosted by Falls Church at Columbia Baptist Church. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend and participate.
- **New Wine Skins Conference April 7-10 2016** All are encouraged to attend. There is a bus going from Truro. More info can be found in the website <http://www.newwineskins.org/content/new-wineskins-conference-global-mission-2016>
- **ALI retreat** - Joe shared with vestry his experiences of his week with the Anglican Leadership Initiative Retreat
- **Vestry Retreat** - The upcoming Vestry retreat will be held the weekend of May 6-7.
- **Future vestry Meeting dates.** February 9, 23. March 22. The Annual Meeting will be March 13
- **Bishop Guernsey visit.** Bishop Guernsey will be visiting Church of the Apostles the weekend of February 13 and 14. There will be an opportunity for Vestry and staff members and spouses to have brunch with Bishop Guernsey on Sunday February 14.

The next Vestry meeting will be February 9 at 7.15pm .

The meeting closed with prayer at approximately 10 pm .