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.St. Paul's Episcopal Church – Vestry Meeting				
January 16, 2024		6:00 PM		Zoom
Meeting called by	The Rev. Kurt Wiesner			
Type of meeting	Regularly Vestry Meeting			
Facilitator	Kurt			
Note taker	Russ Pack			
Attendees	Kurt Wiesner, Melissa Wank, Gina Frey, Peggy McCray, Lori Morris, Linda Roth, Aaron Higley, Kelly Smith, Will Grua, Philip Baese, Rhonda Uber, Russ Pack Excused: Steffi Ortman, Geoff Ellis			

Agenda Item 1: Genera	l Business Items	
Discussion	1.	We will have 7 slots plus Wardens (2) and Clergy (2) for Diocesan Convention. The Convention will be held on April 19-20 at St. James, Midvale. A Pre-Convention meeting (Zoom format) will be on March 16 from 10 AM to Noon. The Pre-Convention will focus on explaining resolutions, providing electronic voting instructions, introducing candidates, and sharing other important information. Additionally, Zoom elections for Regional Representatives (including the Salt Lake Region) will take place just before the Pre- Convention. The Keynote speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Robert Wright, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta.
	2.	This year we seek to elect candidates to 4 regular terms for Vestry. The following people have accepted nominations to be on the Vestry slate to serve 3-year terms: Catherine Higgins, Jennifer Sanchez, John DeMark, and Mary Burris. In addition, Miranda Chimzar is nominated to a 1-year term. George Hofmann has consented to serve as a Trustee.

Agenda Item 2: Financial Report and Budget		
Melissa	Melissa distributed an Executive Summary and a proposed 2024 Budget.	
Motion	Lori moved and Aaron seconded that the proposed 2024 Budget be approved. The motion passed unanimously.	
Endowment Draw	Melissa recommended that we draw 3.5% from the Endowment (note: we can draw up to 5% annually).	

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Kelly moved and Lori seconded that we proceed with the 3.5% draw. The motion passed with one abstention.
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Agenda Item 3: Code Blue Alerts		
Peggy	At the last Vestry meeting, Peggy proposed that we consider participation in the Code Blue Program and volunteered to research the Program and provide a Vestry report.	
	Peggy distributed a report and summary for the Vestry's discussion. By summary, the Utah Department of Health and Human Services declares Code Blue Alerts by county based on designated cold temperatures, thus allowing flexibility to identify locations to shield unsheltered persons.	
	The First United Methodist Church on 200 South 200 East in SLC currently operates a Code Blue shelter program (" 2^{nd} and 2^{nd} ").	
Discussion	The Vestry discussed how St. Paul's could participate in the program and felt that the best means to do so at present would be to assist the existing 2 nd and 2 nd Program because it is operational and has the facilities to provide temporary shelter.	
Actions	Peggy will begin coordination efforts, including asking other parishioners who may have an interest in assisting. She will also contact the Cathedral Church of St. Mark to see what is being done in support of the 2 nd and 2 nd Program.	

Agenda Item 4: Vestry Calendar		
Kurt	Sunday, January 28 – Annual Meeting at 12:45 PM	
	Tuesday, February 6 – Vestry Orientation at 6:00 PM (Zoom)	
	Tuesday, February 13 – Shrove Tuesday event 5:00 to 7:00 PM at All Saints (No Vestry Meeting_	
	Saturday, February 17 – Vestry Retreat 9:00 AM to Noon (Parish Hall)	