

Minutes for 2026 Annual General Meeting

All Saints' Anglican Cathedral
Annual Meeting of Parishioners
Sunday, February 22, 2026

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:14pm by The Very Reverend Alexandra Meek, Dean and Rector of All Saints' Anglican Cathedral. Digital copies of the 40-page Annual Meeting package were circulated two weeks in advance of the meeting with some printed copies available.

Dean Alex thanked all for attending today's meeting.

Opening Prayer led by The Very Reverend Alexandra Meek.

2. Signing of the Canonical Declaration

The Canonical Declaration was read aloud by the Dean on behalf of all present. An Annual Meeting sign-in register was circulated with thirty-three (33) eligible parishioners attaching their signatures to it.

3. Appointment of the Secretary for the Meeting

MOTION

Moved by Dean Alexandra Meek that RJ Chambers, Administrative Assistant, be appointed as secretary for the meeting. Seconded by Margaret Sisley. Carried.

4. Approval of the 2026 Annual Meeting Agenda

MOTION

Moved by Ebenezer Oladokun that the 2026 Annual Meeting agenda be approved as amended. Seconded by Robert Shannon. Carried.

5. Approval of Minutes from 2025 Annual Meeting

MOTION

Moved by Robert Shannon that the Annual Meeting minutes for the meeting held February 16, 2025 be approved as presented. Seconded by Ebenezer Oladokun. Carried.

6. Election and Appointment of Wardens and Vestry Members

Dean Alex thanked the Vestry and Corporation for their work and dedication over the last year. She specifically thanked Ebenezer and Margaret for their service as wardens of the parish. Margaret will be stepping back as warden but will continue to serve on Vestry. Alex thanked her for her past two years of service. Ebenezer has agreed to remain on as a warden for one more year. Alex thanked him for his ministry in this area.

Thomas Usher has consented to let his name stand to run for People's Warden.

MOTION

Moved by Alexandra Meek that Thomas Usher be elected as People's Warden.

Seconded by Barbara Burrows. Carried.

Dean Alex thanked Jay Adams, David Barnum, Barbara Burrows, Louella Janzen Pick, Julia Nelson, Jeremy Rossiter, and David Nahirney (Treasurer) for their work on Vestry over the last year.

Completing his time on vestry this year is Jay Adams. Alex thanked Jay for his many years of service on Vestry.

As we have had an open call for vestry members over the last number of weeks, there will not be an open call from the floor today for vestry members. However, if someone is interested in serving on vestry, they should speak with the Dean.

Those continuing to serve on Vestry for 2026 are:

- David Barnum
- Barbara Burrows
- Louella Janzen Pick
- Julia Nelson
- Jeremy Rossiter
- David Nahirney, Treasurer

7. Election of Lay Members of Synod

As People's Warden, Thomas Usher will be serving as a Synod Delegate. Our average weekly attendance increased to 103 in 2025 which means we are entitled to send an additional three Synod Delegates.

The three individuals who receive the most votes will be the three additional Synod delegates and the others will be named as alternates as per number of votes received (fourth highest votes will be first alternate, etc.).

RESULTS OF VOTE

The Synod Delegates will be David Barnum, Barbara Burrows and Julia Nelson. The Synod alternates (in this order) are Louella Janzen Pick and Jeremy Rossiter.

8. Rector's Report

Dean Alex thanked RJ for his work in compiling the Annual Meeting package. Alex thanked the parish for allowing her to continue to serve the Cathedral parish and thanked all who served the Cathedral over the last year.

Alex thanked RJ Chambers and Jeremy Spurgeon for their service and professionalism. She also thanked Rev. Nick Trussell for his part-time work as Assisting Priest at the Cathedral throughout much of last year. Alex thanked Brenda Voyce for her care and concern as the chair of the Altar Guild and wished her the best as she enters her retirement as the chair of Altar Guild. Alex thanked Julia Nelson and the Vision 2020 Committee for the excellent work they have done over the last number of years. Alex thanked all of those involved in worship, hospitality, breakfast, Manna Market, book and Bible studies, and care for those in need. None of this work could happen without the many hands that contribute to Cathedral.

9. Acceptance of Ministry Reports

The Dean referenced the below Ministry Reports, included in the Annual Meeting package, and invited individuals to speak to their reports or for individuals to ask questions. No one came forward to speak regarding their report.

Reports contained in the Annual Meeting package:

Rector

Other Ministry Areas:

Administrator

Wardens

Altar Guild

Breakfast Ministry

Hospitality

Manna Market

Music Director

Patchwork Saints

Servers' Guild

Sidespeople

Vision 2020

MOTION

Moved by Rachel Dart that the Ministry Reports be accepted as presented. Seconded by Robert Shannon. Carried.

10. Financial Report for 2025 and Presentation of 2026 Budget

The complete set of financial statements were sent out with the full meeting package. Treasurer, David Nahirney, began by presenting the Annual Income and Expense Statement from January 1 to December 31, 2025.

David indicated there were no surprises on the expense side. We saw a lot of generosity in unbudgeted income and the investments performed very well.

Income

Total income was nearly \$457k. Envelope giving was up and open giving has dropped slightly. Memorial gifts, particularly the gift from Sandra Munn's estate, were very generous. Rentals were up and breakfast ministry was down from what was expected. There was a specific gift for hymnals and prayer books that significantly increased the music and worship income. GST income was also higher as we received two years of GST returns in 2025. We also saw significant insurance income due to the claim from the stolen Altar supplies.

Expenses

Total expenses were around \$565,600.00. Most property expenses were as expected. There were some unanticipated expenses such as the building of the new Altar Guild cabinets in the Sacristy. Insurance was not as much of an increase as it has been in past years. Apportionment continues to be healthy due to our consistent income. Outreach expenses were high due to a \$10k donation to ICPM. Personnel expenses were lower than budgeted due to Rev. Nick's departure partway through the year. Worship expenses seems high but that was due to the hymnal/prayer book purchase that was covered by a special donation. The transfer to Restricted Funds is not really an expense as it is in investments.

At the end of the year, we ended with a deficit of over \$108,000.00. But, that is approximately \$50k better than what we had budgeted. Overall, this is good news.

2025 Budget Shortfall

The shortfall from 2025 was, again, covered by Endowment Income and Endowment Capital funds (the Mays Memorial Fund).

MOTION

Moved by David Nahirney that the income and expense statement and budget report for 2025 be approved as published in the Annual Meeting materials. Seconded by Barbara Burrows. Carried.

Restricted Funds (and Endowment Funds) Report

The restricted funds are kept in Edmonton and tend to be smaller and are accessed fairly regularly. The Endowment Funds are generally larger funds that are invested.

The spending from the different funds is outlined in page 7 of the financial reports.

Question:

- **Is there only \$2900 left in the Reach Fund?** In the restricted fund, yes, but the endowment fund has more money in it.

Our current financial advisor has been working with us for over 40 years. Dean Alex will send him a letter of thanks on behalf of the parish.

Overall increase in the endowment funds was over \$257k which is an increase of over 24% - well outpacing our average annual rate of return.

Question:

- **What are we invested in?** It is a mix of stocks, low interest income accounts. This is outlined on page 11 of the full financial statement.

After the transfer outlined on page 9 of the financial statement, there remains \$36,790 of the 2025 shortfall to be covered in 2026

MOTION

It was moved by David Nahirney that the Restricted Funds Reconciliation and the Endowment Funds Reconciliation as at December 31, 2025 be approved as published in the Annual Meeting materials. Seconded by Carol Hawrish. Carried.

2026 Budget

Income

As 2025 envelope giving increased, we anticipate that may continue in 2026. We expect an increase in rental as well. GST return will go back to single year norms. Bottom line for income is conservative but having increase income is always a nice surprise.

Expenses

We anticipate building expenses to increase a bit but insurance has not gone up significantly. We anticipate payroll to increase a bit as there is a possibility that we will hire a 0.2 FTE part time priest to assist Alex with ministry work. There has been a bit of a pinch without a Vicar or Assisting Priest.

Question:

- **Is a 0.2 priest enough to cover the work?** Yes.

Summary

Total expenses are anticipated at \$331k with income anticipated at around \$447k leaving a shortfall of just over \$116,000. The plan to cover the 2025 budgeted shortfall was reviewed by the Treasurer.

MOTION

Moved by David Nahirney that the 2026 Budget as recommended by Corporation and Vestry, and as published in the Annual Meeting materials, be approved and adopted. Seconded by David Barnum. Carried.

MOTION

Moved by David Nahirney that the shortfall (expenses not covered by income) in the 2026 budget be covered:

- First, by applying the 2026 income earned by individual endowment funds where the purpose of the fund relates to a budget expense item, to cover those budget expense items.
- Then, if necessary, by applying funds from the capital of the Mays Memorial Endowment Fund.

Where use of the capital of the Endowment Funds to cover 2026 shortfall is not presently within the purpose for which the individual fund was created, the purpose of the fund shall stand amended to permit the use of the capital to cover the 2026 budget shortfall. Seconded by Barbara Burrows. Carried.

11. Appointment of 2026 Accounts Examiner

Treasurer, David Nahirney noted that King & Company had reviewed the books for the last few years.

MOTION

David Nahirney moved that King & Company Chartered Accountants be retained to conduct a financial review of the parish financial position and accounts for 2026. Seconded by Robert Shannon. Carried.

12. Munn Memorial Fund Plan

Dean Alex spoke about Sandra Munn's bequest. There are no restrictions on this gift but we did not just want to move the money into general funds to cover shortfalls. Instead, it was important to identify particular projects that we could support with this generous donation. Vestry has come up with three ideas where these funds could be applied (as summarized on page 40 of the Annual Meeting package).

Regarding windows, the total project would be more than \$50,000, but only \$50k would be taken from this bequest. The rest of the project would be done as a capital fundraising project.

The lighting project would essentially mark an end to the chancel revitalization project. This would be a particularly good way to remember Sandra as she was a performer and cared deeply about how things were presented. Right now, our current lighting is low-level and does not illuminate items or people at the front of the chancel very well (including the lectern and altar). The proposed lighting would be installed at a new angle and would better illuminate the full chancel - including the newly extended space at the front of the chancel (and the stairs at the front). The installed lighting would be higher than the lights currently installed on the front pillars and would be less noticeable when looking towards the front. The lights currently hanging on the pillars would be removed.

If it is approved to use the funds for the purposes outlined, Vestry would take on the different projects and get the specific quotes required to move forward on these projects.

MOTION

Moved by Leta Gagliardi that the Sandra Munn's bequest be used to fund the projects as outlined in page 40 of the 2026 Annual Meeting. Seconded by Joyce Harrison. Carried.

13. Diocesan Strategic Plan Update

A video presentation created by the Synod Office as an update of where the Diocesan Strategic Plan is at today will be sent out to the parish this week. It is approximately 15 minutes in length and our meeting time is too limited to view it today.

14. Closing Prayer was led by led by the Very Reverend Alexandra Meek.

The Grace was said together as a closing prayer.

MOTION

Moved by Alexandra Meek. Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 1:26pm.