

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vestry Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2013

Vestry Present: Rev. Sandi Kerner, BJ Giannini, Shelly Shock, Lee Kramer, Teno Bratton, Cindy Coleman, Steve Moore, John Rick and Peter Boone.

Vestry Absent: Isabella Worrell.

Opening Prayer - was led by BJ Giannini after a reading of Philippians 4:4-9.

As is the custom of the vestry, each shared personal gratitudes and concerns.

Sandi then led a discussion on Chapters 1-6 of the book that the vestry has been reading, "Beyond Business As Usual" - Vestry Leadership Development. Vestry will resume with Chapter 7 next meeting.

MOTION PASSED to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2013 meeting.

RECTOR'S REPORT (attached)

Sandi shared the letter of resignation from Betsy Brandt. Peter Boone suggested that each vestry member write a personal note of appreciation to Betsy rather than a letter from the vestry as a whole.

Sandi also informed the vestry that Sumner Jenkins has agreed to stay and help in looking for a replacement for Betsy. Sandi suggested a committee needs to be formed to evaluate our needs and a possible new direction.

MOTION PASSED to approve burial of Jane Kerner's ashes in Bob Kerner's burial plot. Fee was waived.

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT (attached)

Following discussion of a/c replacement a **MOTION PASSED** to approve Griffith Heating & Cooling proposal. Teno will get proof of Griffith's liability insurance and Lee will contact Sally Silvy to confirm which account the funds will come from.

Attached to the Jr. Warden's report is a "Proposal for Buildings and Grounds Committee" which was submitted by Betty Handy.

Regarding church grounds, John Rick mentioned that the State will be "taking" a portion of the church property along Three Bridge Road to create a wider shoulder. It was suggested that they may improve the driveway entrance on that side with asphalt in lieu of payment. John suggested that Betty Handy may be a resource to talk with them about this and possibly get them to extend the asphalt beyond the apron.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Communications: Attached.

Fellowship:

Next event will be May 12th on Mother's Day. A reception will follow the 10:30 a.m. service in celebration of Sandi as our permanent Rector. The Rev. Dr. Russ Parker will be preaching that day.

Youth & Christian Formation:

The Easter Egg Hunt was a success!

Teno reported that J2A is planning a lock-in and also a car wash.

Teno also reported that a mini mission trip / camping trip is in the planning stage for the Rite 13 group. It is hoped that the event can be held in Powhatan so more can attend.

John Rick reported that he and Sandi are discussing possible adult courses for next fall. John suggested a Men's Study Group to read and discuss books. Jim Tucker has submitted book titles for consideration.

John Rick also suggested a male retreat for fathers and sons.

Sandi mentioned that she is checking to see if there is any local training for level I of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. She is interested in going to the training and would like to get one or two others to be trained as back up for our current staff which has been in place for four years.

Welcome:

BJ Giannini reported that the event for April 7th had been cancelled due to poor response. Discussion followed on when this could be rescheduled and to include the entire parish.

Outreach: No Report

Finance: (report attached)

A summary sheet and detailed financials were distributed. Revenue is down.

Discussion followed on the need to announce shortfall and reality of the situation to the congregation. Peter Boone agreed to address all three services on May 5th. It is hoped that financial statement will have been mailed to parishioners prior to this.

Closing prayer - Sandi Kerner. Sandi asked for special prayers for father of Isabella Worrell and Larry Barden.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Janet Tucker

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