

June 24, 2019 7:30 P.M. Vestry Meeting Minutes

In attendance were Carl Adams, Rosemarie Sweeney, Donna Alvarez, Chuck Cash, Cliff White, Sue Carroll, Kiska Williams, Frenchie Gogos.

The meeting was brought to order by Carl Adams, who opened with a prayer. The next meeting will be Monday, July 22, and Patty Alexander will be invited to attend. Rev. Alexander's start date will be September 1, 2019, and the fall season kickoff will be September 8, 2019. Sue Carroll volunteered to be time keeper, and Frenchie Gogos will be evaluator.

The agenda of the previous meeting was approved with the notation that Mark McCarthy volunteered for the Transition Support Committee.

Carl led a discussion of Luke 21:29-36.

Carl and Rosi led off the wardens' report with a discussion of the June 9th church picnic. The consensus was that the attendance was disappointing but the event was enjoyable.

The status of the Transition Support Committee is that John Wyss has agreed to join and that Carl has not heard from Julie Anderson and Megan Jarvis.

Kim Matthews submitted a handout on proposed capital improvements. Founder's Hall has been repainted, and Wonders will reimburse the church. The new paint was admired. The Rectory chimney repair will begin in August. Kim is getting more estimates on repair to the water damage in the kitchen. Item 4 was the painting of the Rector's office, office suite and parlor. Estimates are pending, and there was agreement that the parlor would not be painted at this time. Kiska will remove the offensive clock. The repaving and stripping of the driveway has been tabled for now. When this item comes up in the future, perhaps Wonders and the Montessori school can contribute to the cost since they generate more traffic than the church does.

Chuck Cash reported on the state of the gutters, and recommends that a regular cleaning schedule be established. He says channel drains are needed to correct erosion in front of the church. Church maintenance is a job for a committee, and Joel Hemphill would be the one to lead this effort.

There was a discussion on the leading and funding of P.R.A.Y. for 2019-2020. Redeemer's Rector is trying to hire a leader since there is none now. It is likely that a woman will be hired from funds in Redeemer's budget. St. Dunstan's has budgeted \$10,000 for the next 10 months, and the Diocese has contributed \$7,000. The three parishes participating are St. Dunstan's, St. Patrick's and Redeemer. We think there are 8 children who come from St. Dunstan's, and Rosi believes there are about 15 from the other two parishes.

The next topic under the warden's report was Christian formation. Sue Carroll is involved in this effort. There was speculation that Frank McCormick and Krista Overdahl may be interested in leading formation efforts.

Mark McCarthy was absent, so there was not a Justice League report. Carl says that Mark wants to contact Patty about the Justice League.

Sue Carroll reported on formation activities for the summer services. The sermon discussions have been well attended and lively. Sue says that the priests are invited to attend but do not have to be there during the discussion. Sue also commented that if there is a new Search in the future, the renters in the rectory should be kept in the loop as much as possible to avoid misunderstandings.

Rosi said that the Liturgy Committee has developed plans for the summer. There is a need for someone to serve on the altar because of vacation absences among the regulars. Perhaps Joanne Comstock will serve. The flower and altar guilds are also stressed. Can we simplify the flowers by substituting blooming plants?

Cliff reported on his handouts. He said the funds on the balance sheet is the capital budget. He said the proposed projects from Chuck need to come out of endowment or special donations to maintain the physical plant. Rosi commented that in her experience, we are better off at maintenance than most churches.

Rosi adds that we should be thinking about the fall giving campaign and checking the Diocese website for their input.

Carl passed out a report on a Business Methods Workshop on July 11. Patty would like someone to volunteer to attend this workshop. There were no volunteers. Cliff commented that, after looking at the handout, it seemed that this meeting was more for larger churches. Since we have handily passed a recent audit, there is every indication that we are doing fine and it will be no tragedy if no one attends the workshop.

Sue commented that she is trying to get visitors from the parish for the shut-ins whom Jeff visited regularly. She had a good visit with Daphne Cox recently.

After a favorable evaluation from Frenchie and a closing prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Alvarez

