

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING
Tuesday, October 9, 2018 - 6:30 pm

In Attendance:

Vestry: Dave Beall, Pam Clark, Cindy Esselburn, Larry Fees, Diana Hillock, Tom Roohr, Bob Sawyer, Marcel Tabor, Barbara Vaughn, Fr. Gary Wilde

Absent: Maggie Buonarosa, Sally Mock

Visiting Parishioners: Bob Clark, Nancy Fees, Jane Murphy

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Fr. Gary Wilde.

OPENING DEVOTIONS

Fr. Gary conducted a prayer of *A Litany of Thanksgiving*, BCP 837

TREASURER'S REPORT

David Beall reviewed the Balance Sheet for the Third Quarter:

- June discrepancies were noted and corrected.
- Cash Accounts readily available are \$153,028 as of now. Last year the balance was \$147,451.
- The P & L was reviewed regarding pension, sabbatical, copier, insurance and hospitality which will be divided into three accounts next year.
- Revenue for next 3 months:
 - 20% of pledgers and 34% of total pledge \$\$ is fully paid. \$8,000 of total pledge is outstanding. \$18,000 is most likely to remain uncollected.
 - We are averaging \$25,000 in expenses per month, with a potential shortfall of \$35,000. A motion was made as a consensus to delay the apportionate payments until the end of the year. The motion was approved.
 - The Third Quarter Statements go out this week.
- A motion was made by Fr. Gary to approve Tom Roohr as a check signer. The vote was unanimously approved.
- Monthly vendor accounts will be enrolled in Auto Pay.
- Endowment contributions are \$43,000 YTD.
- Habitat's "*the house that faith built*" needs to raise \$60,000 from the 15 participating churches with construction to begin in Dec/Jan. Would like to use \$500 from men's breakfast account (3315-000) and \$1,000 from mission trip account (3381-000). Dave will match the first \$1,500 donated and hopefully that will get us to our proportionate share of \$4,000.
- Amazon Smile Program would be much easier to manage than the Scrip program. A motion was made to start this and Dave would create forms for people who use Amazon to sign up. A vote to implement the Amazon Smile Program was unanimous.

FORMATION

The Myth of the 200 Barrier: Three Types of Congregations (Part 2: pp. 45-68)

A discussion of key themes in the reading was led by Bob Sawyer. Are we a pastoral size congregation or transitioning to a program sized congregation? Are we an overgrown pastoral church or a hybrid church? A discussion followed on how to bring more people in for a Newcomer Ministry.

INFORMATION

- Secure Building: 10/14-Cindy, 10/21-Pam, 10/28-Sally, 11/4-Cindy, 11/11-Pam
- Friday, October 12-Saturday, October 13...Diocesan Convention
- Fr. Gary's vacation: October 11-16, San Diego
- Saturday, October 13...6:00 pm - Fun Food & Fellowship Pot Luck Dinner "Fall Favorites"
- Tuesday, October 16...10:00-11:30 am - Grief Group begins
- Wednesdays, October 17 & November 7...10:00 am-All Faiths Food Bank
- Friday, October 26...6:00 pm - Newcomers' Reception
- Sunday, October 28...Ministry Fair at both the 8 am & 10 am services
- Sunday, November 4...Membership Sunday, 11:30 am - Fellowship Breakfast and celebrating 30 years of Good Shepherd Church with New and Old Members
- Thursday, November 8...Clericus at Good Shepherd
- Saturday, November 10...6:00 pm - Food Fun & Fellowship Pot Luck Dinner "Chili Cook-Off"
- Sunday, November 11...UTO Ingathering at both 8 am & 10 am services
- Sunday, November 18...Commitment Sunday
- Other information:
 - Parking Lot Update: Cindy Esselburn signed agreement for Report from an engineering firm. It will be in 3 months. There is a meeting with Chestnut Creek regarding drainage issues.
 - Nominating Committee for year ahead: Pam Clark, Larry Fees, Marcel Tabor, Fr. Gary
 - Delegates to Convention: Tom Roohr, Marcel Tabor, (Larry Fees, Alternate)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Vestry unanimously approved the Minutes of the September 11, 2018 Vestry Meeting.

DISCUSSION

• Stewardship Campaign update: Bob Clark and Larry Fees discussed the Ministry Fair and the need for everyone's involvement. The Ministry Fair will be a one day affair at both the 8 am and 10 am services. Ministry heads will each have "Pop up messages" during the church services. It will emphasize Commitment and a Giving Plan, less as a pledge.

• On November 11, Emily Shaw from Habitat and a Habitat homeowner will give a presentation of the Habitat Ministry.

• Diana Hillock says there will be no Salvation Army Bell Ringing this year. Bob Clark asked if we could possibly partner with other churches instead. Diana will pursue this option. The Food Bank will continue on the same schedule. (1st and 3rd Wednesday of Month)

REVIEW OF COMMISSION REPORTS

- Rector Fr. Gary Wilde
- Senior Warden Larry Fees
- Junior Warden/Property Cindy Esselburn
- Christian Formation Tom Roohr
- Communications Barbara Vaughn
- Hospitality Maggie Buonarosa
- Liturgy Marcel Tabor
- Missions & Outreach Diana Hillock
- Pastoral Care Pam Clark
- Visitor Care Bob Sawyer

DECISION

Resolved: *Choral Scholars Project* - Good Shepherd Church will participate in the *Choral Scholars Program* (as described in the handout by Chuck Bradley) during the season 2018-2019, with funding of \$5,000, dividing the commitment between fiscal years 2018 and 2019. It is recognized that \$1,900 in funds are already received with more promised, and that the Diocese is reviewing our request for “Bishop’s Funding” to help in further defraying the cost of these Scholarships.

The vote for participating in the Choral Scholars Program was unanimously approved.

CLOSING PRAYER & ADJOURNMENT

****Next Vestry Meeting will be Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 6:30 pm****

**Respectfully submitted by Jane Murphy
Substituting for Sally Mock, Clerk of the Vestry**