

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting
Immediately Following the
29th Annual Parish Meeting of Good Shepherd Episcopal Church
January 27, 2019**

In Attendance: Ruth Bruno, Maggie Buonarosa, Bob Clark, Cindy Esselburn, Diana Hillock, Sally Mock, Paul Mueller, Bob Sawyer, Sandy Schultz, Barbara Vaughn, Fr. Gary Wilde

Absent: none

The meeting began at 12:05 pm with a prayer by Fr. Gary. He then welcomed the newly elected Vestry members (Ruth Bruno, Bob Clark, Paul Mueller and Sandy Schultz) as well as the returning Vestry members.

Fr. Gary then announced his appointment of Bob Sawyer as Senior Warden. Bob agreed to serve on the Vestry in this capacity for the coming year.

There were several positions that needed to be elected by the Vestry:

1. Barbara Vaughn made a motion to elect Cindy Esselburn to serve as Junior Warden. Seconded by Maggie Buonarosa. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Paul Mueller made a motion to elect Sally Mock as Clerk of the Vestry. Seconded by Sandy Schultz. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Maggie Buonarosa made a motion to elect David Beall as Treasurer. Seconded by Cindy Esselburn. Motion passed unanimously.

Fr. Gary referred to the handout "*What would it mean for me to serve on the Good Shepherd Vestry?*" going over the key highlights as well as main expectations.

Next, Fr. Gary discussed the Vestry Retreat which will begin at Good Shepherd at 1:30 pm on Friday, February 8th. At approximately 4 pm, the Vestry will drive to DaySpring in Ellenton for the rest of Friday night and all of Saturday, February 9th, returning home by about 5 pm. Time was taken to select roommates for our overnight stay. A total of 12 (all 9 Vestry members, Fr. Gary, Treasurer David Beall and Clerk of the Vestry Sally Mock) will be attending the Retreat.

Fr. Gary handed out the following reading material:

1. "*Beyond Business As Usual*" (blue book) was given to the new Vestry members (current Vestry members already have a copy). Everyone was asked to read pages 1-53; 69-72 in preparation for the discussion that will be held during the Retreat.
2. "*Search Manual*" from the Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Florida was given to everyone to read through as the policy & guidelines presented will be discussed at the Retreat.

The next order of business was to select which new Vestry member would serve out the 2 year term remaining after the resignation of Tom Roohr. This was done by the drawing of straws. Whoever drew the short straw would be on the Vestry for 2 years. Bob Clark was "the winner". Ruth Bruno, Paul Mueller and Sandy Schultz will each serve for 3 years.

Fr. Gary then passed out slips of paper where Vestry members were to indicate their leadership preference/interest in specific Commissions: 1-I would love to chair this Commission, 2-I would be OK with chairing this Commission, 3-Hmmmmmm...not so much). Fr. Gary & Senior Warden Bob Sawyer will look over the responses and will finalize Commission chairs at the Retreat.

The final order of business was to set the following dates:

1. Vestry Commissioning will take place on Sunday, February 3rd at the 10 am service.
2. Monthly Vestry meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm.
3. The Wardens' meetings will be held weekly on Tuesdays at 9:30 am.
4. Finance and Executive meetings will be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 3pm and 4pm respectively.
5. Vestry members are asked to schedule a monthly meeting with the Rector to discuss their commission.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Mock, Clerk of the Vestry