

Vestry Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 15, 2013

7:00 pm, Farmer Hall

Attendees: Rev. Steven Domienik, Chris Abbott, Cathy Golden, Geoff Gregory, Margaret Mason, Sue McCann, John Joe Milner, Brenda Naegel, Jamie Polk, Nick Rawlings, and Olivia Scaros..

Missing: Joan Fislser and Ben Hoffman.

Opening Prayer Steve

Approval of December's Minutes Nick

Motion to approve October's Minutes (Brenda/Cathy)

Approved unanimously as revised

Treasurer's Report Cathy

The year-end data are in and we have a surplus of \$5.5K. This good news may well be one result of our having a congregation who are more informed of the church's finances than in prior years. After discussion of alternatives, we agreed to the following use of that surplus.

Motion to move 90% of the surplus into the Building Fund, 10% into the Outreach Fund (Nick/Brenda)

Approved unanimously

In addition to the monthly report, Cathy provided us with a year-end report on the many funds and a first look at the preschool financials. Each shows what a huge job it has been for all involved to get our financial statements in balance, for which we are very grateful.

Motion to approve Treasurer's January 15th Report (Chris/Brenda)

Approved unanimously

Annual Meeting Steve

Our bylaws state that we may have as many as 12 vestry members, in addition to the wardens, the treasurer, and the clerk, for a total of 16. We have been operating with a total of 13.

Motion to increase to 14 the total size of the vestry, including officers. (Brenda/Nick)

Approved unanimously

For the annual meeting, we'll share the financial statements and the data we have received from the surveys, in addition to the material from the parish dinners and the retreat. We hope to have more surveys by that time. Currently, only 64 have been turned in. Rather than make any decisions now, we will spend time at our vestry retreat to evaluate the results and see what should be done with regard to, among other issues, the ones of same-sex marriage and two-vs-three services.

On the 2013 budget, we will work to adjust the proposed budget to reflect 2012 results and as much accuracy as possible with respect to those values we can project accurately – i.e. pre-pays, the 4% endowment draw, and salaries. Our hope is that we can put forward a balanced budget.

Changing guard Steve

Rich Fislser has stepped down as head of the Outreach Committee. We in the vestry will take over the responsibility of approving requests for funds, with solicitations first coming from Team Uganda.

This is the last meeting that Chris and Olivia will be serving, having completed their tenure with distinction. We thanked them for their contributions.

Closing Prayer

Steve

Our next meeting will be on February 19th.

Motion to Adjourn Approved – Adjourn at 9:15.