

# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Vestry Meeting

Jan. 19, 2016, 7 p.m.  
Farmer Hall

**Vestry Members in Attendance:** Gary Naegel, John Armstrong, Kristen Garnett, Cathy Golden, Louise Beecher, Mark Auletta, the Rev. Jennings Matheson, Art Criddle, Rebecca Rastetter, Lucinda Embersits.

**Absent:** Colleen McHugh, Alan Miller

**Also Attending:** Vestry nominee Gary Cimmino

1. Parishioner Joe Burbela appeared before the vestry to promote Bowling for Food, an annual event in which the St. Andrew's community enjoys an afternoon of bowling and donates bags of groceries to the local food bank. Senior Warden Gary Naegel said paper Stop and Shop bags with a list of desired foods stapled to them are distributed after church prior to the event.

## 2. Minutes

The minutes of the December meeting were approved as amended. The motion was made by Rebecca Rastetter and seconded by Lucinda Embersits.

## 3. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was approved on a motion made by the Reverend Jennings Matheson and seconded by Art Criddle.

## 4. Budget

A motion was made to approve the 2016 budget as presented by Cathy Golden that contains a supplement of up to \$70,000 from the endowment to make the projected income and expenses match. The motion was made by Cathy Golden and seconded by Gary Naegel.

## 5. Transition Update

The Transition Team will meet with the bishop Jan. 26, at which time they will receive his critique of the parish profile.

The vestry agreed that Lucinda Embersits would remain on the team even after her term on the Vestry expired January 31.

## **6. Endowment Committee**

The Endowment Committee wants to change its structure from six members plus the church treasurer, to five members plus the church treasurer. The vestry voted to put the change on the agenda of the January 31 annual meeting. The motion was made by Cathy Golden and seconded by Mark Auletta.

## **7. Old Business**

### **Parish Goals**

It was agreed that the goals would be kept but that the action plan would be revisited at the 2016 vestry retreat and the need to revitalize the stewardship committee would be one of the things addressed. The Rev. Matheson will line up the date and place of the retreat.

### **Parking Lot Lights**

Efforts are underway to address the need for lights in the back parking lot. Also, the possibility of installing LED floodlights to illuminate the outside of the church will be explored.

## **8. New Business**

### **Farmer Hall Renovation**

Now that the kitchen project is complete, an active Buildings and Grounds Committee is needed to oversee the renovation of Farmer Hall. Plans for the renovation will have to include concern for the needs of the pre-school, the music program, the Boy Scout Troop based at St. Andrews as well as the congregation. Lighting, sound and insulation needs also must be addressed.

### **Opening and Closing Procedures**

Sexton David Mikus will be asked to come to the next Vestry meeting to discuss opening and closing procedures for the church buildings.

### **Summer Camps**

Music Director Grant Underwood has recommended that the summer music camps sponsored by the church be changed to arts camps and offer more than just music programs.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The motion was made by Louise Beecher and seconded by Cathy Golden.

**Minutes respectfully submitted Louise Beecher, Vestry Clerk**