

St. Stephen's Vestry Minutes

October 8, 2018

Attendees: Scott Armstrong, Pat Wojas, Dave Eldon, Roy Waters, Corinne Fragnoli, Rob Redmer, Alan Giles, Karol Sprague, Jackie Ingersoll, Jim Trask-Treasurer, Don Ingersoll, Finance Committee Chairperson

Absent: Richard Kenefic, Justin Wojas

I. Checking in-Scott Armstrong called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. Vestry members shared something they were grateful for and something they would like prayers for.

II. Approval of Agenda-Consent Calendar. Rob moved that the agenda be accepted and Roy seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

III. Opening Prayer & Scripture:-Corinne said an opening prayer and read a scripture passage.

IV. Senior Warden's Report-Scott announced that Paul Hardy was hired as the interim youth director for this year. The church profile is done for the priest-in-charge search. SOS went very well with lots of parishioner participation. A class to license LEMs and Eucharistic ministers will be held at St. Stephen's on October 14th. Scott, Pat and Joan Morgan will be attending Convention in Novi, October 26 & 27. Kris Fuhr took Communion over to American House. Scott praised the job that Jacki and Pam are doing in the office.

V. Mission Focus-Stewardship-Pat stated that the stewardship committee plan to have gatherings in parishioners' homes (6-8) and perhaps one or two at the church. So far Karol, Jackie and Pat have offered to have one. The committee will approach some of the families who held the holy conversations in their homes to perhaps volunteer again. These meetings will emphasize family, time and talent as well as financial support. Don Ingersoll offered to be on the committee

VI. Consent Calendar:

- a. Minutes-E-mail accepted
- b. Financials-E-mail accepted
- c. Committee Reports-None

VII. Old Business:

- a. No items from consent removed
- b. Interview committee update-The committee met with Jim Gettel September 11. They have developed a list of questions and are now ready to receive a candidate. Ken Fuhr is the chairperson.
- c. Corinne discussed SOS. Although she was away during the SOS week, she and Miranda got many things organized beforehand and the week ran smoothly.
- d. The new cleaning service is doing a wonderful job.

- e. Paul Hardy was hired as the interim youth director.
- f. Potential 2019 Vestry candidates were discussed.

VIII. New Business:

- a. September Financial Report-Jim Trask reported that both income and spending in 2018 are below budget and below last year. As usual, the leadership of St. Stephen's is doing an excellent job managing spending to be in line with income.

We have a year-to-date deficit (through September) of about \$6,000. This is in line with many previous years. We are hoping for and expecting the normal pattern of strong contributions in November and December. With a good November and December, we could cover the current deficit

Jim and Don Ingersoll met with Mark Miliotto, Diocesan Finance Director, to discuss the numbers in the budget and how they were developed. Mark considered the numbers to be sound. They definitely show that St. Stephen's can support a full-time priest/rector.

- b. Rentals-It was decided to lift the ban on single rentals. Pat moved that we allow single rentals again and Karol seconded the motion. The motion was carried.
- c. Removing/combining services-After a discussion, it was decided to leave the services as they are now: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 8 am and 10 am.

IX. Coming Events:

EDOMI General Convention-October 26th & 27th
Christmas Walk-Saturday, December 1
Bishop's Tri-Yearly Visit-December 2
Advent by Candlelight-Monday, December 3

- X. Closing prayer-and Adjournment-Scott closed the meeting with a prayer at 9:15 p.m. Next meeting November 12.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Ingersoll, Clerk