



Trinity Episcopal Church

Vestry Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2008

Present:

Mary Ellen Brown
Steve Chambers
Stanley Hamilton
Mother Virginia Hall+
Mary Ann Hart
Gretchen Horlacher
Kim Hurley
Elbert Johns

Mary Ann Keko
Pat Martin
Betty Rose Nagle
Father Ken Ornell+
Deacon Connie Pepler+
Benjamin Straley

Guest:

Judy Granbois

Todd LaDow
(Substitute clerk)

Father Ken+ urged all in attendance to check e-mail regularly for Vestry updates. Save paper and go electronic.

Father Ken+ gave the opening prayer.

Approval of minutes from December and January Vestry meetings: Minutes were approved and accepted from 12-19-07, 1-2-08 and 1-19-08 meetings.

Approval of Treasurer: Judy Granbois has been nominated, approved and appointed treasure for fiscal 2008.

Correspondence: A letter from Richard Hvale was read to the group. He feels as though \$12,000 listed on the budget as income is questionable until the dioceses approves. This is income from the ministries in Martinsville and Bedford.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for fiscal 2007 year end has been accepted and approved barring changes. Fiscal 2008 budget has also been accepted and approved.

Interim Rector's Report: Father Ken+ welcomed the newly elected Vestry members who were present: Mary Ellen Brown, Mary Ann Hart, Kim Hurley and Mary Ann Keko.

Attendance at the annual meeting was 106. This was up from 80 last year.

Assisting Clergy's Report: Mother Virginia+ said she was very happy with the outcome of the movie that was shown at the annual meeting. This was echoed by all in attendance. We are going to make several copies for those interested. There was discussion about posting the movie as a video stream on the church's website.

Deacon's Report: Deacon Connie talked about Habitat for Humanity. A sponsorship agreement was passed out. We currently have funds available in Outreach savings to handle this project. July 27 and October 4 are the two build dates available. Each build takes 12 days.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign sponsorship agreement for the habitat build.

Rector's Warden Report: Elbert Johns talked about campus ministries and Mother Linda and follow up with outreach. Should we keep in contact with this? He then gave a personal update on his health. He is feeling better and the tumor is shrinking.

People's Warden Report: Steve Chambers talked about the Vestry retreat scheduled for February 8th and 9th. He spoke of the Fresh Start meeting scheduled for February 23rd in the Great Hall. He also talked about starting to think now about the building dedication. This is coming up quick. He then alluded to the annual meeting and what a great feeling it was.

Pat Martin gave the building commission update. The main focus was on building a garden wall. Due to construction the West lawn has shrunk. The idea is to build a wall out of stone that matches the church making this a useable outdoor space. There was much conversation about this project. Funding, structure, material and dimensions were all discussed. The project was tabled for further review.

Carpet replacement for the Great Hall was discussed. The cost is \$6700 if tied into the current work on the new addition. A motion was made, seconded and approved to replace the carpet.

Gates Agnew told the Vestry that the new name of the Phase 1 construction is now the Education and Administration Wing.

Commissioning of new Vestry members will take place on January 27 at both services. Father Ken+ encouraged members to try to attend both services.

Steve Chambers passed out commission assignments.

Father Ken+ made room assignments for the retreat.

There was a question and answer session for all new Vestry members.

Future Vestry meetings are scheduled for February 20 and March 26.

Assignments for the Feb. 20 meeting:

Setup: Benjamin Straley
Beverage: Pat Martin
Entrée: Stanley Hamilton
Salad: Betty Rose Nagle
Dessert: Mary Ann Keko
Cleanup: Mary Ann Hart

Father Ken gave the closing prayer and blessing.

Meeting adjourned.