

Vestry Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 17, 2007
7-9 p.m.-Library

Present: Emily Peterson, Ivy Booth, Bruce Mair, John Willoughby, Brigitte Parenteau, Rex Gaskill, Mariann Budde

Absent: Craig Gudorf, Dan Sutton, Kay Kramer, Michelle Dibblee, Jan Olfe, Susan Tapp, Shelly Murray.

Emily called the meeting to order. There was a brief discussion on ways we might structure our devotional time, with an eye toward crafting a structure of prayer and reflection that could be used at every St. John's meeting. Next month, Mariann will lead the Vestry in prayer and Bible reflection and then we'll rotate that responsibility among the group.

Action Items:

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the June 18, 2007 meeting minutes.

Finance Report

Bruce Mair led the discussion of the June financial report. He reported that total pledge contributions in June were about \$3900 over budget; unpledged contributions remain under budget. Total income is about \$3,300 over budget. Total expenses in June were about \$2,400 under budget, with lower compensation being the chief factor.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the June 2007 financial report.

Stewardship.

The following dates were determined for this year's stewardship initiative:

November 18th, Consecration Sunday, with brunch to follow both services.

The 3 Sundays preceding Consecration Sunday would include parishioner testimonials and reservations for Consecration Sunday brunch.

November 10th, the Vestry and Stewardship leadership team would meet for dinner and final assignment of households to call.

The vestry discussed names of potential guest speakers for Consecration Sunday. Mariann will contact Andrew Waldo and discuss a possible exchange with Trinity, Excelsior.

John Willoughby will chair the Consecration Sunday process and contact those who worked on the committee last year. He would like to find a co-chair, as he will be stepping off of vestry this year.

Fall Retreat.

Emily expressed her desire for the vestry to have an overnight retreat this fall, and to invite the new staff members to join us. We discussed three possible dates: September 28-29; October 12-13; or November 2-3. Emily will email all vestry members to determine which date works best, and from there we will work to secure a site.

After brief discussions of the Nominating Committee process, the Music Search Committee, the website design, and Hospitality Ministry,

The vestry prayed, and ended the meeting shortly before 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mariann Budde
Substituting for Shelly Gill Murray