

Vestry Minutes
approved January 21, 2010
ST. BONIFACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Date: December 10, 2009

Vestry Members Present: Ted Copland (Rector), Susan Rife (Senior Warden), Reg Irvine (Junior Warden), Mike Dougherty (Treasurer), Gary Buchmeier, Peg Davant, Kathie Hayes, Carl Hye-Knudsen, Carol Marcus-Epperly, Tommy Meyer, Jim Palermo, Michael Walker and Becky Westbrook.

Vestry Members Absent: Carolyn Garvey and Mary Tucker.

Other Attendees: Betsie Danner (Director of Resource Development), Melba Hye-Knudsen (Clerk) and newly elected Vestry members Richard Swastek, Sandy Wilbur and Bruce Wilson.

Call to Order: Ted Copland called the vestry meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with a prayer.

Minutes: A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted that the minutes of the vestry meeting held November 19, 2009 be accepted as distributed. A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted that the minutes of the annual meeting held December 6, 2009 be accepted as distributed

Rector's Report: The Rector thanked those vestry members who are retiring for their service and welcomed the newly elected vestry members. He asked that old and new vestry members to introduce themselves and share something with the group that was a surprise to them in 2009.

The Rector reported that Carolyn Garvey has resigned from the vestry to focus more on her particular joy of pastoral care. The vestry can consider appointing two new members to complete the unexpired terms of Carolyn Garvey and Mark Leggett.

The Rector announced that he had asked Susan Rife to chair a task force which is being formed to look at long range planning for St. Boniface and to begin thinking about the time when the current Rector will retire. Because of this initiative, Susan will not be re-appointed as senior warden in 2010.

Appointment/Election of Officers:

Senior Warden: The Rector reported that he had appointed Jim Palermo to serve as Senior Warden and that he has accepted the appointment.

Junior Warden: The Vestry will nominate and elect a Junior Warden at its January 21, 2010 meeting.

Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer: The Rector nominated Gary Buchmeier to be Treasurer and Kathie Hayes to be Assistant Treasurer; a **motion** to unanimously elect them as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer was made, seconded and adopted.

Chancellor: The Rector nominated Charles Livingston as Chancellor; a **motion** to unanimously elect him as Chancellor was made, seconded and adopted.

Clerk: The Rector nominated Melba Hye-Knudsen as Clerk; a **motion** to unanimously elect her as Clerk was made, seconded and adopted.

Financial Report: The Treasurer presented an Analysis of Revenues and Expenses Year-to-Date through November 30, 2009 and reported that he expects to complete 2009 with a positive cash flow. Based on this financial situation and per the decision made by the Vestry on November 19, 2009, the

Rector reported that he will be distributing a year end bonus of approximately 5% of current salary to the staff. A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted to accept the financial report for the year-to-date through November 30, 2009 for audit.

Resource Development Report: Betsie Danner gave the following update on the Annual Appeal for 2010 and thanked the vestry for its support:

\$540,189 total pledges received
285 households
26 new pledges
150 increased
88 remained the same
21 decreased
Average pledge is \$1,895
For comparison, this time last year we had received \$544,742 from 293 households

Betsie will be soliciting help from the vestry to conduct a mini phone-a-thon shortly after the new year to attempt to close the **\$345,000 gap**.

Associate Rector's Report: On behalf of the Associate Rector, the Rector reported that assistance is needed with the Youth Ministry. The Associate Rector is evaluating ways to add a part-time assistant to this ministry.

Upcoming Meetings: The next Vestry meeting will be held on January 21, 2010 at 5:00PM. At this meeting numerous organizational actions will be addressed as well as the election of the Junior Warden and Delegates to the Diocesan convention.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melba Hye-Knudsen, Clerk of the Vestry