

**Vestry Minutes**  
**Approved May 19, 2011**  
**ST. BONIFACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Date: April 21, 2011

**Vestry Members Present:** Ted Copland (Rector), Jim Palermo (Senior Warden), Reg Irvine (Junior Warden), Gary Buchmeier (Treasurer), Kathie Hayes (Asst. Treasurer), Carl Hye-Knudsen, Carol Marcus-Epperly, Susan Rife, Richard Swastek, Mary Tucker, Becky Westbrook, Sandy Wilbur, Bruce Wilson and Bill Wood.

**Vestry Members Absent:** Henry Rhodes and Michael Walker.

**Other Attendees:** Andi Taylor (Associate Rector) and Melba Hye-Knudsen (Clerk).

**Call to Order:** The Rector called the vestry meeting to order at 5:00 pm and made a **motion** that the meeting be turned over to the Senior Warden. After the motion was seconded and adopted, the Rector excused himself from the meeting. The Senior Warden explained that although this meeting would be primarily *focus* as planned, a few business items would be addressed.

**Minutes:** A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted that the minutes of the vestry meeting held on March 17, 2011, be accepted as distributed.

**Request from the Boniface Eco-Stewardship Team (B.E.S.T.):** The Senior Warden asked Sandy Wilbur to address the request by B.E.S.T. to renovate the Room F Garden. Sandy explained that the renovation would be funded totally by the B.E.S.T., the renovation would continue to promote environmentally sound practices for campus landscaping and that the normal maintenance costs for the garden would not exceed what is currently being spent. A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted to approve the request by B.E.S.T. to renovate the Roof F Garden.

**Report from the Associate Rector:** Andi reported that the youth group had exceeded their fund raising goal but would continue to collect money from Beach Parking. Excess funds will be given to the El Holgar Mission when the youth group goes back to the Agriculture School in June 2011.

**Report from the Senior Warden:** Jim reported that he and a group of Vestry members conducted a positive interview with The Rev. Canon John E. Lawrence for the position of Interim Rector. This was the second in a series of interviews for this position and Jim expressed his intent to invite this candidate to visit St. Boniface.

Jim reminded the Vestry that the Diocese's 2011 Vestry Retreat is May 7 at Daysprings. Anyone interested in attending can register on the Diocesan web site. The theme this year is "Who are we? What is God calling us to do?"

Jim led the Vestry in a discussion of the Diocesan request for a set of Parish mailing labels that would be used to send out an Annual Appeal Request from the Bishop. After thoughtful consideration, the Vestry concluded that parish mailing labels would not be provided but a statement of support would be included in the upcoming St. Boniface newsletter which would provide parishioners information on how to participate in this appeal if they desire.

Jim indicated that the Executive Committee met and were pleased to report they were able to give Andi a summer salary bonus. This bonus is in recognition of the additional responsibilities she will have from May 15 until the Interim Rector is hired.

Jim asked Susan Rife to report on the Steering Committee activities. Susan indicated that she would be writing a summary report of the information gathered at the All Church Conference. Susan also reported that she had been in contact with Larry Peers who will not be back in the process until the Search Committee is in place.

Jim asked the Vestry to begin to brainstorm how to establish criteria for the Search Committee and to begin to think of potential candidates for the committee. The group concluded that it is critical that all groups within the Parish be included on the committee and thought that it should be made up of 13 or 15 people. A list of 30+ names was developed and Kathie Hayes agreed to refine the list and associate a group with each name. This process will be further refined at the next Vestry meeting. A common theme of the discussion was that anyone selected for the Search Committee must be willing to dedicate significant time to the effort.

There being no further business, Andi adjourned the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melba Hye-Knudsen, Clerk of the Vestry

#### **Vestry Meeting and Other Important Dates**

May 15	Ted's last Sunday at St. Boniface
May 19	Vestry Business Meeting
June 16	Vestry Business Meeting