

St. Boniface Episcopal Church
January 18 Vestry Minutes
Approved February 15, 2018

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2018

Vestry Members Present: Wayne Farrell (Rector), Suzanne Barksdale (Sr. Warden), Jon Gordon (Treasurer), Vince Brennan (Jr. Warden), Doriel Boyce, Suzanne Gregory, Joanne Heiland, Reg Irvine, Mary Ivey, Rooney Mereness, Paul Neuhauser, Charlie Pettengill, Judy Stickler

Vestry Members Absent: none

Other Attendees: Lisa Wolf (Clerk), Jonathan Evans (Priest Associate), Elisa Hansen (Deacon), Tom Krueger, Cynthia Sand

Evening Prayer

Call to Order: The Rector called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Welcome new Preschool Director: Susan O'Carroll

Minutes: A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted that the minutes of the vestry meeting held on December 21, 2017 be approved as written with a slight punctuation change.

Treasurer's Report: Jon Gordon

- Review of December 2017 financial statements
- Review of proposed 2018 budget

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to adopt the 2018 budget as presented.

Jr. Warden's Report: Vince Brennan

- Sound system update: the parts have been ordered, installation is scheduled for the first week in February

Sr. Warden Report: Suzanne Barksdale

- Reminder that the vestry will be hosting coffee hour Sunday for the Annual Meeting
- Pledge Update: as of January 18, pledges total \$767,152, now exceeding the pledge goal of \$766,320. This represents 271 households with the average pledge being \$2,840.

Grants & Outreach Committee: Suzanne Gregory

- Corrected amounts are submitted for two grants approved in December 2017, \$3,000 is for M.O.T.S. (was \$3,500) and \$3,500 for The Visible Men Academy (was \$3,550).
- Submitted grant proposal of \$4,500 to All Faiths Foodbank for vestry approval:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to award a \$4,500 grant to All Faiths Food Bank for their pantry program.

Preschool Committee: Vince Brennan, Susan O'Carroll

- Reported on the recent work of the committee, and reviewed the current situation of the Preschool. Strategies to increase enrollment for the next school year were also presented.
- A mission statement was established by the committee: *St. Boniface Preschool develops your child's lifelong learning by inspiring them intellectually, socially and spiritually.*
- Director Susan shared her observations after a month with the school.

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to support the Preschool financially through May, then reassess the situation in June.

S.U.R.E. Report: Mary Ivey

- Sacred Conversations are happening with 16 team leaders, 63 parishioners have signed up Nehemiah Action Assembly Monday, March 19, 2018

New Business:

- Clergy Housing Allowance:

RESOLVED, that the Housing Allowance for The Rev. Wayne Farrell, beginning January 1, 2018, be and hereby is set at \$43,750; the housing allowance set in this resolution shall remain in effect for all future periods until and unless otherwise provided or modified in a future action by the Vestry.

RESOLVED, that the Housing Allowance for The Rev. Jonathan Evans, beginning January 1, 2018 be and hereby is set at \$44,000; the housing allowance set in this resolution shall remain in effect for all future periods until and unless otherwise provided or modified in a future action by the Vestry.

- Establish preschool board:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to establish a Preschool Board consisting of six St. Boniface parishioners, one preschool parent and the Preschool Director (ex officio).

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to appoint Vince Brennan (Chairperson), Carol Fox, Ann Hardcastle (vestry liaison) Frankie Krueger, Bev Parker, and Jenifer Parker to the established Board.

Rector Report: Wayne Farrell

- A gift was received to help aesthetically improve the "east" courtyard, the outside area between the Community Center and the building with PS office/nursery/Crediton Room/Youth Studio

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to use the gift to hire a professional design consultant to assist with plans.

- Four parishioners will be confirmed/reaffirmed on Sunday, January 28
- Attendance at the Christmas services was up an average of 8% from last year
- 200+ attended the organ concert on January 14th
- A vestry retreat will be scheduled for February 24 or March 3

Associate Report: Jonathan Evans

- Reported on the Youth Ski trip to Colorado in December
- 100+ attended Author Thomas Moore's talk on January 17
- Barbara Crafton visits the diocese and St. Boniface Tuesday, March 6
- Dayspring event April 28 to include John Bell, Valerie Tutson, and music by Fran McKendree
- Wonderful Wednesday program January 24 & 31 with Jonathan and Wayne showing the documentary, "13th"

Calendar items:

- **Annual Meeting then Vestry Meeting** (immediately following) – Sunday, January 21
- **Bishop Visit** – Assisting Bishop Barry Howe, January 28
- **Spring Social Fellowship event** – “That’s Amore!” Saturday, February 10
- **Ash Wednesday services** – February 14 7:30 am, 10:00 am, 6:00 pm

Adjournment: 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Wolf, Clerk of the Vestry