

St. Boniface Episcopal Church
March 2017 Vestry Minutes
Approved April 20, 2017

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2017

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

Vestry Members Absent: Mary Ivey

Other Attendees: Lisa Wolf (Clerk)

Call to Order: The Priest-in-Charge called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes: A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted that the minutes of the vestry meeting held on February 16, 2017 be approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jon Gordon

- Reviewed the February 2017 financial statements, and were approved for audit

Sr. Warden's Report: Suzanne Barksdale

- Vestry Retreat: Saturday, March 25 at Dayspring with Fr. Eric Cooter

Jr. Warden's Report: Vince Brennan

- Obtaining bids to replace lighting system in the church
- improvements to the sound system in the church continue
- "Mulch Madness" beautification event April 1, 8:30 a.m.

Old Business:

- The (ad hoc) Concert Series Committee would like to expand their membership from five to seven, and establish sub-committees within
- Friends of Music program – **resolution** proposed and accepted:

Be it resolved that the vestry of St. Boniface Church recognizes that one of the strengths of the Church is its strong music program. The St. Boniface Friends of Music (FOM) was established to provide support to the music program beyond the support available from the operating budget. The FOM program is administered under the direction of the Organist/Choirmaster (Director of Music). A committee may be established to assist the Organist/Choirmaster (Director of Music) in administering the FOM program. Donations to the FOM program will be used to support the St. Boniface Church concert series and to provide enhancements to the Church's music program. Such support may include, but is not limited to, providing instrumentalists and vocalists at special services, and providing funds for purchase of music supplies and services beyond those supported by the operating budget.

New Business:

- Sarasota United for Responsibility and Equity (S.U.R.E.): The St. Boniface Peace & Justice Committee submitted a proposal for St. Boniface Church to become a member and active participant in this non-profit organization (16 other churches are currently involved)

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to sign a covenant that St. Boniface Church participates in S.U.R.E. for 2017, and pledge a financial commitment of no less than \$5,000 (vote was 10 yes, 1 no).

- Good Friday Offering: This year's offering will support mission in the holy land
- Rise Against Hunger admin fee: The Rise Against Hunger event on March 11 packed 15,000 meals, and the charge for raw material was \$4,300. \$6,900 in donations were raised, it is proposed the remaining \$2,500 be donated to support the organization's "water project."

A **motion** was made, seconded and adopted to donate \$2,543.70 to Rise Against Hunger's Water for the World project.

- Diocesan Vestry Retreat: Saturday, May 6

Priest-in-Charge Report: Wayne Farrell

- Confirmation classes are being held for five St. Boniface's and St. Margaret's youth
- Future "On the Road to Canterbury" class to be offered on confirmation, reception, baptism
- Ash Wednesday services well attended
- On Tuesday, April 11, the diocesan Chrism Mass and Clergy Day will be held here at St. Boniface Church
- Average Sunday attendance at the 10:00 service has been 359 the last few weeks, up about 5% this time last year
- Two candidates in consideration for the associate position

Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Wolf, Clerk of the Vestry