

St. Boniface Episcopal Church
October 2019 Vestry Minutes approved November 21, 2019

Date: Thursday, October 17, 2019

Vestry Members Present: Wayne Farrell (Rector), Phil Baker (Sr. Warden), Rooney Mereness (Jr. Warden), Jon Gordon (Treasurer), Denise Ayre, Ray Droege, Suzanne Gregory, Ann Hardcastle, Larry Patton, Alice Reid, Judy Stickler, Sandy Wilbur

Vestry Members Absent: Tom Krueger

Other Attendees: Lisa Wolf (Clerk), Jonathan Evans (Associate Rector)

Call to Order: The Rector called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted that the minutes of the vestry meeting held on September 19, 2019 be approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Jon Gordon

- Employee healthcare coverage for 2020:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted the church will cover 90% of the employee's single coverage health insurance benefit for 2020.

Jr. Warden Report: Rooney Mereness

- Courtyard fountain/pond contract in place, work yet to begin
- Choir Gallery a/c not working properly
- Boniface Community Center interior window shades being installed. Bids are being sought to replace roof.

Sr. Warden Report: Phil Baker

- Staff Business Manager, Cindy Hannon, is on medical leave, and would like to hire an interim

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted the contract with Joe Master for 25-30 hours/week, to be expensed from Vestry to Designate account.

- Amendment to employee short-term disability policy

By unanimous **vote**, policy was adopted to cover any "gap" in short-term disability benefit and 100% pay for an employee who has been employed with the parish for 25+ years.

Grants & Outreach Committee: Suzanne Gregory

- Committee recommended and vestry approved to award \$3,000 grant to El Hogar School in Honduras

Stewardship Committee: Suzanne Gregory

- Lay witness stories being mailed
- Training table proctors for celebration meals
- Pledge forms assembled, Rector letter complete
- A Narrative Budget was presented

St. Nicholas Fair Committee: Ann Hardcastle

- 12 events at the Fair
- Vestry approved committee recommendation that proceeds to benefit Brothers & Sisters Doing the Right Thing

Old Business

- Fee proposal and engagement letter for appraisal of church property

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to contract with appraiser Roger Hettema.

New Business

- Donation to ERD for Hurricane Dorian relief:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to contribute \$5,000 (from Apportionment Accrual).

- 2019 "Mission & Ministry Dividend" (the apportionment rebate from the diocese) of \$4,509 will be used to support the compensation package of the Associate Rector, as the diocesan grant for that is ending.

Associate Rector: Jonathan

- Deacon Elisa Hansen out on medical leave
- "Prayer & Out" twice-monthly with young adults
- The Center for Spiritual Transformation (CST) launch has been well received
- Deaf liturgy was well attended
- Migration Ministry being formed

Rector: Wayne

- Sunday attendance expected to increase as many return to the area
- Attended diocesan convention last weekend with Jonathan and lay delegates
- Two new parishes in the Diocese, in Wesley Chapel and northeast Bradenton
- The Rev. Fred Robinson, Rector of Church of the Redeemer, has announced his retirement, a 25-year tenure there.

Calendar items:

- **Key Chorale concert** – Saturday, October 19, 4:00 p.m.
- **Wonderful Wednesdays** – begin Wednesday, October 23
- **Wayne – Cursillo** – October 24-27 (away from St. Boniface for Sunday services)
- **Shining our Light celebration meals** – Monday & Tuesday, October 28 & 29
- **Taizé service** – Saturday, November 2, 5:00 p.m.

- **All Saints Sunday** – November 3 (Daylight Saving Time – “fall back” clock change)
- **Eucharist for the Deaf** – Sunday, November 3, 12:00 p.m.
- **Evensong** – Sunday, November 3, 5:00 p.m.
- **“First Service” Sunday** – November 17, with BABOOS Bountiful Brunch celebrating 65 years
- **Piano concert** – Sunday, November 17, 6:00 p.m.
- **Next Vestry Meeting** – Thursday, November 21, 5:00 p.m.

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Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Wolf, Clerk of the Vestry