

St. Boniface Episcopal Church
October 2021 Vestry Minutes approved November 18, 2021

Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021

Vestry Members Present: Wayne Farrell (Rector), Suzanne Gregory (Sr. Warden), Rooney Mereness (Jr. Warden), Suzanne Barksdale (Treasurer), Ray Droege (via Zoom), Gino Fellin, Prill Nugent (via Zoom), Beverly Parker, Charlie Pettengill, Alice Reid, Judy Stickler, Randy Thomas (via Zoom).

Vestry Members Absent: Larry Patton, Zerbe Sodervick

Other Attendees: Lisa Wolf (Clerk), Joe Master (Director of Business & Finance – via Zoom)

Call to Order

Friends of Music Committee: James Guyer

- Distributed the Fall 2021 Financial Report
 - current balance fund is \$48,350.12
 - income sources are annual (FOM) appeal, beach parking revenue, ticket sales
 - committed expenses for this season include concert contract obligations, extra musicians for worship/special services, Young Artist Showcase scholarships, a/v equipment improvements, salary/publicity/office materials

Gratitude Commission: Prill Nugent

- Three “Grateful Gatherings” taking place next week, to include lunch, dinner and virtual Zoom session
- Getting pledge packets ready for distribution on Sunday, November 7
- Pledge goal of \$848,000 to support a 2022 budget of \$1,145,000

Strategic Planning Committee: Suzanne Gregory

- Continue to expanding the workgroup
- First step will be congregational assessment

Migration Ministry Workgroup: Randy Thomas

- Our guests, mother and young daughter have settled in, working out some transportation issues
- They will be introduced to the congregation this Sunday
- Church Insurance Company has been notified, updated liability

Capital Planning Workgroup: Suzanne Barksdale

- Committee includes Suzanne Barksdale, Joe Master, Jesse Munoz, Gino Fellin, Alice Reid, Zerbe Sodervick, Ray Droege

- Work has begun to prioritize capital repairs and improvements, identify funding sources, and make recommendations to the vestry.

Sr. Warden Report: Suzanne Gregory

- Diocesan Convention was held last Saturday, October 16, virtually by Zoom
- Planning for Rector's future sabbatical

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to support Wayne Farrell's sabbatical to be taken in 2022.

- Alice Reid, Ray Droege, Larry Patton and Suzanne Gregory are members rotating off at year's end

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to appoint the above-mentioned as the Nominating Committee, to receive names and present a slate of four nominees for the vestry class of 2024. This will be presented at the December vestry meeting for the Annual Meeting in January 2022.

Jr. Warden Report: Rooney Mereness

- A survey is needed to address the "Lake Boniface" issue
- Still trying to acquire quotes on Columbarium wall repair
- Replace air-conditioning unit in the Healing Mission

A **motion** was made and seconded and accepted that the replacement be expensed from the Capital Reserve account.

- Non-working water feature behind the Healing Mission is part of a memorial garden, no action should be taken until contact with family
- Roofing contractor Shue Kauffman, upon inspection, deemed the church office roof priority in next replacement
- Community Center closet/storage recently cleaned out and organized
- Plant beds by the playground have been refreshed with new plantings & mulch
- The Parish Hall renovation will be incorporated into the overall capital projects, as well as hurricane shutters

Treasurer's Report: Suzanne Barksdale

- Review of September 2021 financial statements
- Employee healthcare coverage for 2022:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted the church will cover 90% of the employee's single coverage health insurance benefit for 2022.

- Disbursement of Sandy Wilbur and Sam Dickson bequests:

A **motion** was made, seconded and accepted to put \$36,284 from the Wilbur estate in the Bequest account, and \$25,000 from the Dickson estate in Capital Reserve account.

Rector: Wayne Farrell

- The Rev. Nikki Seger has accepted the Assistant Rector position, employment begins early December
- All Saints Sunday is November 7
- Wayne has been appointed Dean of the diocesan Manasota deanery for another year
- Bishop Smith continues to support CDC guidelines of mask-wearing for indoor gatherings

Minutes:

The minutes of the vestry meeting held on September 23, 2021 were approved as written.

Compline**Calendar Items:**

- **Concert** – “Phantom of the Opera” organ concert, Sunday October 24, 7:30 p.m.
- **Grateful Gatherings** – October 28 lunch & 6:00 Zoom, October 29 dinner
- **Guest Preacher** – Bob Griffiths, October 31
- **All Saints Sunday** – November 7 with incense and chant
- **Pledge Packet distribution** – Sunday November 7 and by mail
- **Evensong** – Sunday, November 7, 5:00 p.m.
- Next month’s **vestry meeting** – Thursday, November 18, 5:00 pm
- **Blessing of Pledges** – Sunday, November 21
- **Thanksgiving Eve service** – Wednesday, November 24, 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Wolf, Clerk of the Vestry