

Board Chairs Meeting Minutes 11/2/22

In attendance: Don Halbert, Bobbie Fuchs, Ricky Evans, Margaret Bearden, Mthr Lisa Erdeljon, Jane Mitchell, Deborah Alt, Deacon Pam Hayes, Betty Rupp, Linda Humphreys, Sue Mills, Lorraine Beamer

Mother Lisa opened the meeting with a prayer.

Faith Formation: Sue Mills

Faith Formation did not meet in October. A new youth group has started meeting on the last Sunday of the month after the 10:00 service. Sue Mills and Maitland Barnes met with 3 youth and shared quality time together.

November Adult Forum continues to meet between services in the Sanctuary. November 13 and November 20 will be about the Belize Mission Trip, November 27th will be a discussion of Faith led by Fraser Crane.

Two librarians have begun work in the library – Stefanie Cristos and Jimmy Nitti.

Sacred Ground will begin meeting every other week starting January 5th from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm. Sign ups for this group end mid December.

Finance and Facilities: Don Halbert

The 2022 budget is in the black for October with expenses being less than originally planned. Mortgage payments started in September. A full time sexton, staff COLA increases, and planned payments into the insurance and maintenance reserves has prompted Stewardship to ask for a 13% increase in pledges. November 6th is the Ingathering of pledges.

Capital improvements have several open items yet to be completed included renovations of the Chapel Annex (floor and bathrooms) as well as acoustic panels and trim work in the Parish Hall.

The Campus Utilization Committee has gained approval for a Facility Reservation and Use Policy. It is considered a “living document” that will be revised as we become accustomed to the new facility. It will be published on the new website so it is available to the broader public. This policy includes a sign-up sheet for outside groups, as well as rules for use and clean up. Any questions about the policy should be directed to Bill Bittenbender.

We will be moving to “Realm” – a software for finances and parishioner database. The conversion will occur in about 1 month. Bob Fuchs has asked budget owners to check their fund names and submit any name changes that need to be made before the conversion occurs.

The F&F has approved an endowment to be established for the maintenance of the Chapel Annex. In turn a family name will be added to the one remaining un-named stained glass window in the Chapel.

Outreach – Deborah Alt

Outreach Board is now having monthly meetings. Grants have been to Brunswick Partnership for Housing (\$5,000) and L'il bit of Help (\$2,569) from the Mission Fund Monies which must be allocated each year.

The November 28th meeting will be for long term planning for 2023. A statement requesting parishioners make monetary donations to SOIF for human needs, rather than the Food Pantry which is not in need of Money at this time. Human needs include electric bills, clothing and rent.

Parish Life – Jane Mitchell

Parish Life partnered with Outreach to sponsor lunch for disabled vets on October 21st during their fishing tournament.

Parish Breakfast scheduled for November 6 at 9:00, Coffee hours scheduled for November 13, 20th and 27th. The Annual Meeting On December 4 will be a covered dish with the alphabetical listing of what to bring published in the Enews and Come and See.

ECW is sponsoring the UTO thank offering collection on November 6 and has an Annual Meeting scheduled in the Parish Hall for December 3 with a catered lunch for \$30.00 each.

The ECW Fall Festival went very well with more profits this year than last year.

A young adult cook out/ gathering (ages 21 – 60) will be held on Friday , November 4 on the Lawn.

Pastoral Care – Pam Hayes

Fr. Bill Eberle is offering a Walking Through Grief session. Planning for afternoon and evening sessions in conjunction with United Methodist.

Philip Dalton is helping with Stephen Ministry

COHI is meeting November 13.

DOK is meeting monthly and will be doing coffee hours once a quarter (4x yearly).

The Medical Equipment library is well stocked and well used by parishioners.

Terra Bella is going well, as is FMG with 18 members meeting weekly.

Eucharistic Visitors are now working with the same recipients and building relationships. New LEV kits are obtained from Mother Lisa.

Worship – Ricky Evans

The Worship Board works to make services run smoothly. Making a change with how the choir receives communion (come down center aisle) to decrease congestion at communion.

New candles ordered for the Celtic service that are 12” long and burn for 8 hour to decrease dripping on the altar.

The Beach Service group is talking about a new name for the service and a new sign.

Dennis Courtnage and Fallon Pearce are planning a session with ushers on November 20th to familiarize ushers with the new First Aid kits.

Communicator – Lorraine Beamer

Board Chairs should check their mail boxes weekly for invoices that need approval.

Come and See articles are due by the 25th of the month.

Annual reports are due November 18 to be available for publication.

Clergy – Mother Lisa

The first Celtic Service was well attended. About 50 people (half St. Philip's/half from the community) If you would like to serve at the Celtic service with Reflections, being a Lay Reader, providing Lay music, please contact the clergy.

Christmas planning has begun. December 18 – Lessons and Carols, December 21 – Longest Night service; December 24 services at 4:00 and 7:00 PM; Christmas Day – 9:00 am

Reminder to complete the videos for Model Policies.

Pray for the Methodist Church as they go through a difficult discernment.

Suggestion: Locked drop box for office correspondence.

Next Meeting: December 7 at 2:00 PM

Respectfully submitted

Lorraine Beamer