

St. John's Vestry Meeting

May 3, 2009

Present:

Jo Ann Ford, Sharon Davarn, Don Paulson, Pam Larson, Gary Bennett, Frank Duckett, Kathy McLallen, Doug Richards, Bob Larson, Eileen Hughes

Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer by Jo Ann.

Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, Amended and Restated Bylaws

Pam reviewed the committee memo on the articles and bylaws. The Vestry will study the memo individually and email any concerns to the Vestry members. When appropriate, Pam will forward any Vestry concerns or questions to Carlyne and Tom. The Vestry will meet at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, May 31 to review the articles and bylaws.

Minutes of last meeting

The March minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report

Pam reviewed the financial reports. There was a shortfall in April of \$1000.00 due to an extra pension payment in April. The gas expense is \$500.00 under budget estimate. The Kenya funding is stable as are the funds in the Episcopal Foundation.

Jo Ann will be sending from her discretionary fund \$100.00 each to this year's graduates, Nicole James and Jake Abel.

Discernment Process

Jo Ann stated that she would like to remain here for probably two to three more years. She sees her role as guiding us toward planning for the future.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds

On Tuesday Don will be getting an estimate on painting the rectory. Barbara Meckel will be taking care of grass mowing at the church. Jo Ann will be setting an appointment with the electrician for the work in the rectory. Pam noted that the upper sidewalk, for which we are responsible, needs repair. A clean up day was discussed. It was decided to first gather a list of the work needed. Kathy will compile this list. Don has updated the website.

Stewardship

There will be an ad in the *Plain Dealer Summer Guide*. We are receiving a regular check from Weight Watchers for use of the Parish Hall. Sue is completing future banners for hanging outside the church.

Inreach

Pam will confirm a Sunday date for honoring Tom and Tammy before they leave for Glenwood Springs. Patrick Davarn will be asked to take a photograph of the church to be framed for a gift. There are plans for a mid-summer picnic.

Outreach

The Food Bank is continuing. Jo Ann mentioned that there are plans for a farmers' market on Thursdays in Ouray. The market group is seeking funding for advertising and will list all donors on their advertising. Bob will canvas the Outreach committee members for approval of a \$100.00 donation from Outreach funds.

Worship

The music committee will be meeting May 23. Tammy will officially resign from music ministry on May 31. On June 1, Dee James will be our new leader for music ministry.

Senior Warden

Jo Ann and Don met with Jo Ann regarding her evaluation.

Priest-in-Charge Report

The Vestry approved a request from a group asking that St. John's be included on a list of Episcopal churches that welcome and affirm all. Jo Ann will see that our new mission statement is placed in a more prominent position on the Sunday bulletin. She described the second home that she and Denis are purchasing in Buena Vista for future retirement. In response to a concern on her evaluation review, she will make clear what her office hours are and will make notes on the Parish Hall calendar of out of town meetings she will be attending. Don will check on placing the calendar on our web site. The signed evaluation form will be put in the Vestry file in the office.

Lou Blanchard will be here June 7. Jo Ann wants Lou to discuss with the Vestry how to identify goals. She will be here on Sunday only and will address the congregation during coffee hour and announce that Jo Ann will be staying on as rector.

Jo Ann closed the meeting with prayer.

Next Meeting

The next Vestry meeting will be June 7.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Hughes
Clerk of the Vestry