

FINAL DRAFT – Approved by Vestry December 9, 2009

St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Edmonds

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2009

PRESENT: Rev. John Leech (Rector), Kären Ford (Sr. Warden), Phyllis Becker (Jr. Warden), Phil McClelland (Jr. Warden), John Greenlaw, Carrie Cone, Barbara Hatt, Gaylord Sisk, Sarah Sweeney, Sid Rathburn, Susie Nichols (Treasurer), Shirley Wilson (Clerk)

ABSENT: Jeannie Wells, Eric Hanson

OPENING (Fr. John Leech)

Devotion: Prayers of the People

Meeting called to order

STANDING REPORTS

Approval of Agenda (Fr. John Leech)

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Agenda

Motion carried

Minutes (Shirley Wilson)

Minutes of last meeting were presented for approval

Add Carrie Cone's name to Bylaws Committee

Motion to approve the Minutes as amended was made, seconded, and passed

Pastoral Report (Fr. John Leech)

Article by Nonie Swaim was noted

Hospital visits by Fr. Leech, Susan Bailey and Sharon Joy

Phyllis Becker will call Mark Gregory

Senior Warden (Karen Ford)

Meeting with Sue Clary

Survey will be distributed

Sue Clary will do the presentation at the end of each service

December 13 and 20

Everyone will be asked to look to the future

“New Day” theme

Sue will also complete the data

Vestry Retreat will be February 12 and 13, 2010

St. Hilda-St. Patrick offered their church for the location

Friday evening 6-9 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Herb O'Driscoll will be here Friday, January 29th, 6-9 p.m.

He will be at other locations in the Diocese on Saturday, January 30th

Cost will be \$25

Hordeurves, wine, and dessert will be served

Theme: How to draw on the past when people have gone through great change

And how does it help to look at the future with hope
He is a great teacher who lives near by
More details to follow

We received a note from Faith Episcopal Church in Kingston
Saying that they are praying for us during month of November
By Laws Committee (Karen Ford)

Report submitted (see attached)

Needs to be approved by Diocese and at Annual Meeting
Members of Vestry was instructed to read and give input
to the Committee

Choir Practice change – 5 p.m. on Wednesday nights
Evening Prayer – four Wednesdays in Advent
Chanting is being prepared

Junior Wardens (Phyllis Becker and Phil McClelland)

No report

Treasurer's Report (Susie Nichols)

(See attached report)

PROGRAM AREA REPORTS

Financial Report (Sarah Sweeney)

Software for Church Windows has been purchased

Meeting with Page Eney

She is setting up Chart of Accounts

Plan to be up and running on January 1 or earlier

Mission and Outreach (Phyllis Becker and Gaylord Sisk)

Budget is \$1000 per year

Spent \$500 to Seafarers, yet to be spent is \$500 to Pathways for Women

There is a logistical problem, ½ of each was used for Seafarers

Check went out of Global

Motion was made and seconded to amend the previous decision

to fund \$500 to Seafarers,

½ each out of Global and Local

To: all the funds to come out of global

Also: that \$500 from Local be authorized for Pathways for Women

Motion carried

Food Bank

Question was asked where to send the money before Thanksgiving

Discussion followed

Motion was made and seconded to

Distribute balance of fund for calendar year 2009 as follows

Everett 25%

Lynnwood 25%

Mountlake Terrace 25%

Lake City 25%

Motion carried

Pastoral Care and Parish Life (Sarah Sweeney)

No Report

Worship (Barbara Hatt)

No Report

They will be meeting tomorrow

Buildings and Grounds (John Greenlaw)

Committee is holding the line on budget

In case of an emergency we will have to do a capital call

There are no funds available if a large amount is needed

Our new signs need cleaning and new hardware and posts are needed

Lee Forsberg is being consulted on this

Christian Education (John Greenlaw reported for Jeannie Wells)

Children were invited for Stir-up Sunday

Also invited back the following Sunday

Postcards will be sent to those who haven't attended recently

Finance Committee (Carrie Cone)

They are meeting every other week for the next two months

Met last night for 2010 Budget

See attached

Stewardship Report (Carrie Cone)

Coming along well

49 of 81 pledges have come in

There is a list of people who pledged in the last three years

Volunteers are needed to call

Goal is to have all the pledges in by the Annual Meeting

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Annual Meeting (Fr. John Leech)

Steven Moore, Rector at All Saints, will speak

Will present a clear and entertaining view of how congregations work

And enriching our worship with different liturgy

Goal Setting

John Greenlaw:

Suggest we refer to results of study used at retreat

Important goal is to revitalize and bring new members in

Budget is an austerity budget

Suggested goal to set for end of 2010: 100 pledging families

Without goal there is no sense of urgency

During hard times more people may come in

Must let people know we are here

Carrie Cone:

Suggest we have a reader board showing classes offered

Offer financial intelligence items

Serve the greater community

Host meetings for specialty groups, i.e. Diabetes, etc.

Alzheimer's offered to have a support group here

They would provide speakers, etc.

We are an Emergency Shelter with the Red Cross

Suggestion to have a picnic on Sunday afternoon or Saturday

Work out with the Koreans

Candidates needed for next Vestry

Leaving are John Greenlaw, Gaylord Sisk, Jeannie Wells, Phyllis Becker

Names were suggested to ask
CLOSING PRAYER & ADJOURNMENT (Fr. John Leech)
Prayer by Phyllis Becker

REMINDERS:

Weekly Offering Counters for December: Sid Rathburn and Barbara Hatt
Annual parish meeting: December 6th – following 9 a.m. Eucharist
Next Vestry Meeting: Wednesday, December 9, 2009 @7-9 p.m. in Parish Hall

Vestry retreat with Sue Clary:

Friday evening, February 12th (6-9 p.m.) and Saturday February 13th (9 a.m.-6 p.m.)
At St. Hilda & St. Patrick Church

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Wilson, Clerk