

Minutes of Vestry Meeting: October 11, 2011

Present: Jerry Porch, Phyllis Mroz, Marian Daly, Marilyn Hutchinson, Fr. Kirk, Ronnie Smyth, Dave Fisher, Suzanne McKenna, Kelly Sneddon, Don Hutchinson, visitor-Donald Powell from Powell Energy and Solar.

Fr. Kirk opened the meeting in prayer at 7:03 pm.

M/s/p the minutes from the September 13, Vestry meeting are accepted as presented. The minutes from the September 29 special Vestry meeting are accepted as amended.

Communications:

- Living into the Millennium Development Goals, Camden Convocation Meeting here – Saturday, November 19, 2011, 9-12, Louis Cavaliere is in charge
- Request from Pennsauken Mayor to help a family burned out of their home. **M/s/p** the Pennsauken family may make a trip through the Thrift Shop without any cost to the family.

Treasurer's Report:

M/s/p the treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Solar Panels' Project:

- A Draft Power Provider Agreement (PPA) has been emailed to everyone for review, and sent to David Weinstein, Esquire, for review, as previously agreed.
- Draft Financing Agreement – being drawn up.
- Endowment funds to be used to lend our PPA \$115,000@ 5% interest for 10 years. **M/s/p** the funds for the Solar Panels will come from the DIT endowment and Merrill Lynch in some proportion to be determined later.

Property Committee

- New red fiberglass doors installed in main entrance by The Window Place Plus for \$4,985, funded by Memorials to Robert Cornforth.
- Four bids to Replace #9 Knob-and-Tube Wiring: \$8,645; - \$13,750 have been presented
- Bids to Air Condition Front of Church: \$16,140 for 2, 5--ton split units
- Roof leaks after Hurricane Irene on the main church roof appear due to heavy rain and unusually strong winds. Kurk Roofing has not yet made repairs.
- Steel stairs and railings need painting. A bid by R. A. Janis to prepare and paint all exterior railings and painted stairs for \$2,625 has been received.
- An elastomer coating of the older, higher flat roof for \$6,000 by Kurk Roofing has yet to be approved for action.
- Licensing Agreement for # 11 expired in May. Licensing Agreement will be renewed.
- Licensing agreement with Christ Apostolic Temple expired September 15th. Will be renewed, subject to discussion with Pastor Lewis.
- Disposal of water fountain formerly in hallway to Morse Hall. **M/s/p** the water fountain will be disposed of.

- #9, 2nd and 3rd floors await painting and repairs. Ronnie Smyth said she was waiting to see what the Vestry wanted done with the wiring and other potential needs before organizing painting volunteers.
- Toilet stall moved outward in lower men's room by Fr. Kirk, with help from Don Hutchinson and Dave Martin.
- John Congdon bids tomorrow on kitchen ceiling repairs and 2 windows in #11, and concrete replacement of 2 ½ sections in front of main entrance to church.

Stewardship and Planned Giving

- Proposed Stewardship Program for this fall – attached. **M/s/p** the stewardship and planned giving proposal is accepted as amended.
- Possible Challenges for 2012 – Add air conditioning to church for \$16,000? Buy 3 window units for Morse Hall? Upgrade Morse Hall lighting? **M/s/p** There will be 3 potential challenges for 2012-air condition church, air condition Morse Hall, and relighting of Morse Hall.

Ministry Committee

- There will be a luncheon for families of those baptized this year on September 18th, at 11:45 a.m. in the Trinity Room.
- Youth Confirmation Classes, 7-8 p.m. on Sunday nights. 15 enrolled. DVD and books from Augsburg Fortress Press: about \$400. Shall we provide prayer books @ \$20 each to graduates? **M/s/p** the confirmation class will receive red prayer books at Confirmation on Sunday, December 4th, at \$20 each per book.
- Adult Confirmation Classes: "God in America," PBS videos begins 9/18, 9-10 a.m.
- There will be a luncheon for Bishop Councill and the Confirmands Sunday, December 4 in Morse Hall. Norma Bush will be asked to organize it.
- There have been cutbacks in the Food Bank allocation to Grace Church.
- The Website is not running and needs to have billing for web hosting set up.
- The Fall Fair will be Saturday, November 12th, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Junior Warden Report: None

Senior Warden Report: None

Fr. Kirk's Report: None

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Marian Daly
Clerk