

Vestry Minutes: December 13, 2011

Present: Fr. Kirk, Marian Daly, Phyllis Mroz, Dave Fisher, Frank Ritter, Ronnie Smyth, Suzanne McKenna, Jerry Porch, Dave Martin Sr.

Father Kirk opened the meeting in prayer at 7:00 pm.

M/s/p the minutes from the November 8th and 29th Vestry meetings are accepted as presented.

Communications

- ❖ Fr. Kirk is elected to serve on the Episcopal Election Committee.
- ❖ Diocese of New Jersey “Outpost” Program Update
- ❖ Diocesan Fair Share Asking for 2012 is \$25,879, based on 2010 income
- ❖ Thank you from Joan Reed for fruit baskets each month

Treasurer’s Report

M/s/p the Treasurer’s report is accepted as presented.

- ❖ A check for \$30,000 has been received, as promised, from Grace Cornforth, and she is comfortable with using it to address the three stewardship challenges (church air conditioning, Morse Hall air conditioning and lighting) if the Vestry wishes.
- ❖ Estimated Intended Giving by parishioners: to date \$94,913 from 62 households

Solar Panels’ Project

- ❖ Solar Power Purchase Agreement with Powell Energy & Solar signed
- ❖ A structural engineer will visit to confirm the roof’s capacity for supporting panels
- ❖ A financial agreement is being developed for the project
- ❖ Estimated start date of operation is March 1, 2012

Annual Parish Meeting: 11:15 a.m. Sunday, January 15th

- ❖ Nominating Committee Report – Jerry Porch
Nominees: Senior Warden-Suzanne McKenna, Vestry 3 years-April Chiarulli, Carol Costa, and Roger Weiss, 2-year unexpired term - David Thiel. Convention Delegates - Marian Daly, Don and Marilyn Hutchinson. Barbara McCauly. 2 more people are still needed.
Convocation Delegate-Suzanne and William McKenna, Kathleen and Donald Witzig.
- ❖ Luncheon plans: sandwiches, etc. A-L bring sandwiches M-Z bring salad or dessert.
- ❖ Diocesan Convention is Friday and Saturday, March 2-3, Cherry Hill Crowne Plaza

Property Committee

- ❖ Licensing Agreement for # 11: signed
- ❖ Licensing agreement with Christ Apostolic Temple: signed
- ❖ Sidewalk repairs in front of the driveway entrance and last section of walk into #9 replaced by John Congdon for \$750.

- ❖ Sample pendant lamps for Morse Hall. A decision for lighting in Morse Hall is postponed until a later date.
- ❖ “Rough estimate” to replace church sloping roof by Union Roofing: \$80,000.
- ❖ “Rough estimate” to replace church steam boiler \$40,000 by Hawks & Co.
- ❖ Mark’s Stump Service bids \$1200. To remove #9 cherry tree and grind roots, Dec-Jan. **M/s/p** Mark’s Trump Service is approved to remove tree as soon as possible for \$1200, it being the lowest of four bids received.

Fr. Kirk’s Report – Companion Communion Set requested, sale price is \$427 until 12/16 **M/s/p** a communion kit will be purchased for \$427 using memorial donations.

Finance Committee (Fr. Kirk left the meeting and Jerry Porch presided)

- ❖ Budget Parameters for 2012 and first budget draft.
- ❖ Fair Share Pledge for 2012.
- ❖ Letter of Agreement: Father Kirk will be eligible for a sabbatical in 6 years. **M/s/p** Salary and compensation for Fr. Kirk will be \$58,437 to bring him to current standards. **M/s/p** Salary for Fr. Kirk’s salary will be increased by whatever increase is approved by convention starting in April.
- ❖ **M/s/p** Bob Faussett will receive a 5% increase in salary from \$16,431 to \$17,300.
- ❖ Possible study of reformatting pledge statements in Quick Books with Madeline Weinrebe, CPA, of CPA Solutions, Inc. of Merchantville. **M/s/p** we will make available our data base of donation records to her firm.

Ministry Committee

- ❖ New Member Committee hosts visitors at Merchantville Parade Dec. 2nd for hot chocolate in conjunction with the Cherry Valley Train Club exhibit.
- ❖ New members are attending church and helping our mission.
- ❖ Confirmation: 15 youth and 2 adults were Confirmed 12/4 by Bishop Councill.
- ❖ Diocesan Acolyte Festival: Saturday, February 11th. Church will help underwrite \$25 cost/acolyte, **M/s/p**.

Junior Warden Report – no report

Senior Warden Report – no report

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Marian Daly
Clerk