

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
VESTRY MINUTES
October 9, 2019

Vestry members in attendance: Fr. David Lynch, Senior Warden John Biggs, Junior Warden Les Woodward, David Henson, Buzz Atkinson, Gabe Conn, Jim Whitaker, Dr. Tess Garcia, and Jim Gilligan.

Absent: Meg Swant and Arla Witte Simpson

The meeting was opened with devotion and a prayer from Fr. David.

Acceptance of the September 11, 2019 minutes (SEE ATTACHED) followed.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report – Jim Gilligan (SEE FINANCIALS ATTACHED):

- Brokerage account, Sale of stock \$13,000 sold in August to brokerage account fund.
- RMD comes out as a legal document if someone were to give stock to the church- this account would be used.
- Revenue and expenses – 97% Budget good on receipts, below on plate, below on pledge, right on for cash for the year.
- Convention expense \$350
- Nursery and church school continue to be on hold while remodel continues
- Restricted accounts in good shape
- Organ and music funds – Balance \$254.50 will take out of the Cinco fund to cover honorarium expenses
- Expenses incurred for remodel:

- Estimating \$500 to finish rooms
- Ceiling tiles and countertop yet to purchase
- Refrigerator broke down last Thursday, waiting on \$15 part to fix.
- More cost efficient to replace undercroft ceiling lights with LED, lights are 15years old. Would like to zone lights differently to help save on energy.
- Caught some mold in the hallway, will repair now and "patch paint" ahead of the hallway's repainting.
- Discussion on purchasing Charcoal filters at a cost of \$30 to avoid future mold issues.

Buzz moved to purchase filters, Gabe seconded the motion, passed by voice vote.

Buzz moved to accept Treasurer's report, Tess seconded the motion, approved by voice vote.

Mutual Ministry Review: Stewardship

1. Discussion from the review of the stewardship goals included:
 - Discussion on Tess taking on some responsibilities with the Stewardship campaign. There are plans to meet on Monday for further discussion.
 - Jim Gilligan reminds us that there have been no troubles with stewardship in the past. Regardless of the energy put into the campaign, people will do what they do.
 - A consistent message throughout the year is necessary.
 - The stewardship letter will be discussed on Monday.
 - TENS program stewardship page is on the website.
 - Look into preliminary budget for next year.
 - Apportionment has come to \$18,000 from \$23,000.
 - Strategic planning committee will discuss further in the next month.
2. Finance
 - Minutes are posted by the water fountain.
 - Change sermons on the webpage weekly.
 - Endowment discussion – planned giving discussions are being planned following Elaine’s meeting with greater church administrators, and efforts locally to help develop our planning.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUILDING AND GROUNDS – Les Woodward:

- Work day will be held this Saturday the 12th.
- Found black mold by the water fountain. Will attack that problem in January but painted as soon as possible along with the water leaks down the hallway.
- Meeting with contractors soon regarding the chair lift.

HOSPITALITY – Meg Swant:

- Ranks are continuing to thin out, few were able to help out with set up.
- Plans to better communicate with head of that committee to be sure there is plenty of help.

PASTORAL CARE – Gabe Conn:

- Meeting was moved to the following Wednesday.
- Janece continues to call and touch base with parishioners.

WORSHIP - Arla Witte-Simpson: absent, and Fr. David stated a meeting is scheduled for Sunday October 27th between the services

OUTREACH – Jim Whitaker:

- Met this past Sunday.
- Two meals were prepared for Uplift this month, there will be one meal prepared for November.
- Friends Manor will have dinner prepared on November 18th.
- We have supplies for home Advent Wreaths and Jeff Chapman is leading a program for family wreaths and devotions.
- Elaine has ideas for Advent calendar.

EDUCATION & PLANNING – BUZZ ATKINSON: Nothing new to report

PARISH LIFE – Fr. David:

- Sarah States and others will present Trunk or Treat on Saturday the 26th in our parking lot beginning at 1pm.
- Jason Conn will present an extinguisher class after the 10:30 service on Sunday October 27th.

COMMUNICATIONS – Dave Henson:

- Strategic planning topic to address how to attract more unchurched and seeking people to Resurrection
- Discussion on different banners, feather flags, to catch the public's attention and attract them to our church.
- Mention coffee hour during the announcements.

EMERGENCY PLANNING – Buzz Atkinson:

- Fr. David announced that a meeting will be set to discuss electronic security resources and protection.

LEADERSHIP REPORTS:

Jr. Warden – Les Woodward: Nothing further to report

Sr. Warden – John Biggs:

- All three vestry members that are slated to end their terms are eligible for re-election include: Meg and Buzz, and Les.
- Planning for Vestry Retreat slated to take place at the Bigg's home on Saturday morning November 9th from 9am to noon
- Usher's meeting planned at 1pm at the Bigg's home on November 9th to discuss procedures for church security and updating the parish emergency plans

Rector - Fr. David Lynch:

- Diocese: During the recent Council of Presbyter and Deacon retreat at Conception Abbey discussion specifically focused on how the community of clergy can regain trust and rekindle collegiality and friendship. Fr. Martin Smith facilitated the meetings to specifically determine what God would be for us right now.
- Parish: pastoral care for several parishioners facing dementia and end of life issues. Preparing for the funeral of Robert Vickrey on Saturday, October 19th.
- Local Community: Ministry Alliance Group preparing for get-togethers in near future. Blues Springs PD Chaplains will meet in November to draw a greater Blue Springs area ministry alliance together in November
- Discernment: Mr. Jeff Chapman now being interviewed by the Commission on Ministry and beginning his formal process towards holy orders.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- Building Use policy still under review
- Playground Equipment task force continues researching equipment and installation
- Stewardship planning in place with kick off Sunday set for October 27th and Intake Sunday set for November 24th
- Vestry Retreat is scheduled for November 9th from 9-12 at the Bigg's home
 - Renewal works (Episcopal program) – How do we grow spiritually
 - Mission Statement – discussion on coming up with a mission/vision statement for our church
 - What does our church look like in 4 years?
 - Awards and Recognition committee – Discussion on how we can appreciate parishioners for gifts and talents, time and energy given to the parish

Following a prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10

NEXT VESTRY MEETING – Wednesday, November 13, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Blankenship, Secretary