

Grace Episcopal Church  
Minutes of the Vestry Meeting  
Tuesday, March 10, 2009

**Vestry Present:** Katie Compton, Jim Davis, Dick Entenmann, Julie Grossman, Rebecca Harrison, Janet Heyer, Michelle Huber, David Jayne, Elizabeth Kaul, Chris Kurth, Denise Miller, Weezer Wier, David Willard

**Clergy Present:** Rev. Emily Davis, Rev. Irene Jones

**Guests:** Mike Heyer (Treasurer), Search Committee Members: Sue Nixon, Becky Wooldridge, Ron Ryan, Steve Jianakoplos, Sandy Padgett, Tom Petrie, Jim Moore

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. with an opening prayer by Rev. Irene Jones. A silent meditation followed with discussion about the Holy Spirit encounters by the vestry members.

Rebecca Harrison moved and David Jayne seconded approval of the minutes from the Feb. 10 meeting with the corrections highlighted by Mike Heyer. **Motion Passed.**

Dick Entenmann reported the status of the 150th celebration as conveyed by Janet Mika. Letters have been mailed out to active parishioners highlighting the activities for the year and asking for donations to fund them. All vestry members were asked to support and pass on names of folks who also should receive the information to the team.

Dick Entenmann reported feedback from the Metro III meeting. A document was reviewed that explained the proposal to have all clergy in the Metro III convocation rotate with each other's parishes for preaching and service leadership duties. The Vestry agreed with the concept as outlined, but suggested the frequency of rotation be reduced the first year (start out slow) and include parishioners in the visit opportunities. It was also suggested that the Diocese ask the clergy for their input in this process. Delegate Denise Miller will carry these suggestions forward.

Mike Heyer reviewed the financial picture for the month of February and year to date. Total revenues for the month was \$41,959 (9% above our budget) while expenses were \$36,450 (3.4% below budget.) We continue to be on a good track for the year, but it is still early in the year. Our current cash reserves would cover about two months of our budgeted expenses. Chris Kurth moved and Denise Miller seconded that the Financial Report be approved. **Motion passed**

**The Search Committee submitted their final report to the Vestry with the presentation of the two candidates for our next rector. The Vestry will review the information presented and thanked the Search Team for their work.** The Vestry then began to determine the next steps in the calling process.....the determination of interview questions and the organization of on-site visits by the candidates. These will be worked on off-line with a special Vestry meeting to be held on March 31 to review status. Due to the timing of this process and the current contract for Rev. Irene Jones, it was moved and seconded that the Personnel

Committee and the Senior Warden be given approval to sit with Rev. Jones and determine the best course of action for her future contract commitment. **Motion Passed.**

**Junior Warden Report:**

Michelle Huber reported the status of the ongoing projects as highlighted in her earlier communication. All projects will be within the budget guidelines. The current janitorial contract was not renewed, meaning that Fred and Charles will no longer be working at Grace as of the end of March. Bonus Janitorial has been engaged to perform the services needed for a three month time period as a trial. The lock changing project has been put on hold with security issues being monitored for compliance.

**Senior Warden Report:**

Dick Entenmann submitted proposed changes to the by-laws concerning the eligibility of parishioners for the Vestry. The Vestry was asked to review this proposal for an agenda item next month. An additional submission from the Diocese for inclusion into our by-laws will also be reviewed next month.

The current Ministry co-chair roster with the assigned Vestry liaisons was passed out. The assignment is for the liaison to contact the co-chair of the respective ministry and ask for meeting schedules and on-going support requirements. The current Vestry Forum content and schedule will be reviewed to encourage more parishioner dialogue and input. There will be none held until the review is completed.

**Curate's Report:**

Rev. Emily Davis reported the status of the Confirmation classes.

**Priest-in Charge Report:**

Rev. Irene Jones reported that the services for Holy week are set and a brochure will be made up of the schedule. A Watch will be held from the end of the Maundy Thursday Service to the beginning of the Morning Prayer Service of Good Friday. This will be held in the Chapel and a signup sheet will be posted.

There was no Old Business or New Business.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Dick Entenmann, Senior Warden