

ST. GABRIEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES

August 5, 2015

Steve Fairbrother - Senior Warden

Warren McKeon - Junior Warden

Eric Miller - Treasurer

Dianne Walker - Clerk of the Vestry

Lisa Maynard, Renee Pusey, Ellen (Strange) Moore - 2016

Carol Heist, Warren McKeon, Dianne Walker - 2017

Mark Hessler, Jo Rivera, Danielle Troncelliti - 2018

Youth representative – OPEN

Present: Fairbrother, McKeon, C. Heist, Pusey, Moore, Troncelliti, Maynard, Rivera

Absent: Green, Hessler, Miller, Walker

Non-voting Staff: Bosler, S. Heist

Sr. Warden Steve Fairbrother opened the meeting at 6:35 PM. Prayer, the Gospel, discussion, God Finds and the exchange of The Peace followed.

Minutes - C. Heist moved, J. Rivera seconded to approve the minutes of the July meeting. Approved.

Gifts - Carly Greenwald has stepped forward to assume more of the “marketing” of the Children’s Ministry/Sunday School and assist Carol. The team is selecting a new curriculum for the 6-9 group.

Johnathan Slichter will be one of the Sunday morning Youth Leaders this year with the Rite 13 class.

Updated Clearances & Safeguarding God’s Children are required for all volunteers & people who work with youth, as well as church staff and Vestry. Anna Miller offered to be the Safeguarding Coordinator to register people for the training and track completion.

Roof update - Bill Strickland received 4 bids but is awaiting some more info before presenting for a vote. Estimates are coming in between \$20,000 & \$60,000!

Mapping software - Danielle Troncelliti reported she imported a file Eric gave her into Google Mapping. Can’t print at this point but will be helpful if we can break it into quadrants.

Partnership Sunday - Will be on October 18th, with build up to begin September 20, when Sunday School begins again.

Education Sessions - Steve reported he and Fr. David plan to put schedule a quarterly Vestry meeting visit from Blaine for ongoing leader education purposes

September Leaders Retreat - Set for Sept. 12th in Allentown under the leadership of The Rev. Twila Smith.

Organist/Choirmaster Resignation - Steve reported Fred Bahr regretfully submitted his resignation to Fr. David last week due to the necessity to find other employment with an organ company due to lack of work at his current employer. Fred and Glenn will be moving to Atlanta. We will celebrate their ministry in September before they leave.

Planning Item Progress Updates -

Twitter - Sally found some info on setting up a church account.

Picture Directory - Sally Heist said LifeTouch rep visited about having a new directory done. Everyone agreed it's time and Renee & Carol said they'd help. Sally will tell the sales rep. yes and work on assembling a committee.

Fundraising Idea - Ellen mentioned an idea that she saw at the Christian Motorcycle Club, using a certain number of empty envelopes with \$\$ amounts on them, and asking people to select an envelope (or envelopes) and fill it with the amount. 200 envelopes totaled \$20,200 when all filled!

Victory Church - Has provided us with an insurance liability policy, so they're continuing to meet in the Chapel. Very small attendance so far...mainly just Pastor Andrea and her foster children.

Navy Chaplaincy - Steve let folks know Fr. David was not accepted to serve, due to age (and the fact they want a more "sacramental" tradition priest, as in Roman Catholic, to basically say mass, etc.) Fr. David's exploring and discerning other possibilities.

Finance Report - Eric submitted his report via e-mail in advance of the meeting.

Carol will bring snack in September.

A Deacon's Mass followed.

There being no further business, C. Heist moved and E. Moore moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally E. Heist,
Recording Secretary