

**St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church**  
**Bishop's Committee Minutes**  
**Sunday, April 6, 2014**

**Present:** Aron Kramer, Vicar; Roberta Cline, Sr. Warden, Mary Anderson, Jr. Warden; JC Curtis, J Laundergan, Karen Nichols, Ken Oliver, Jean Laundergan (Clerk).

**Absent:** Kinnan Stauber, Treasurer; Cameron Hubley

(Note: There was not a printed agenda for today's meeting.)

***Opening***

At 11:15 a.m. the meeting was opened with a prayer given by Aron Kramer.

***March Minutes***

The minutes of the March 16, 2014 meeting were approved as recorded.

***Financial Reports***

The Financial Reports (Profit & Loss Budget Performance, March 2014 and St. Andrew's by the Lake Balance Sheet, As of March 31, 2014) were reviewed. There were several questions and lengthy discussion about some of the amounts and how amounts were classified. There were questions regarding Building and Grounds amounts, a \$250 amount for guest musician (Share the Love Concert with Bill & Laurie Bastien?), how much money was collected for UTO (JC hasn't yet counted all that was received), and how much was received at the Share the Love Concert? Thus, the March financial reports were not accepted as presented at this meeting. Some categories and two titles need to be changed. Aron stated that he will clear up the budget issues by July.

***Vicar's Report***

Aron was a Spiritual Advisor for TEC which was held in Hibbing March. It had been 10 years since he'd been Spiritual Director and he said it was good to be back. Aron is looking forward to when the younger St. Andrew's kids will be old enough (9<sup>th</sup> grade) to attend TEC. Because 18 teens and adults became ill and 10 were quarantined the planned closing Eucharist was not held. Instead they had a laying on of hands and a community service blessing instead.

Aron recently took the "Strength Finder" Assessment Test which determines a person's weaknesses and growth areas. The focus is on Strengths. Aron will print a copy for the May Bishop's Committee meeting. There is a book about this which can be found on-line.

Aron has classes on Mondays and Saturdays.

***Senior Warden's Report***

Roberta purchased a nice blank book to be used to record Memorial Gifts to St. Andrew's. This will be kept in the office.

A notice will be put in the Grains of Sand and in Sunday bulletins requesting that anyone who has information regarding Memorial Gifts to St. Andrew's, either designated or general, to please tell Aron, Roberta Cline, or Mary Anderson. It is important that the church records of donations be complete and accurate.

Some concerns have been expressed by St. Andrew's members about the location and timing of Healing Prayer, which takes place during Eucharist. This will be discussed further at the May Bishop's Committee meeting.

***Junior Warden's Report***

Mary brought up the idea of having a Welcome Supper for newcomers to St. Andrew's. The event is being planned for Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. Details to be worked out.

Also, Mary is preparing new 'permanent' church nametags to replace the disposable one which are now used on Sundays. Thank you, Mary!

***St. Andrew's Youth – Brat Sale***

The youth will have a Brat Sale during the Park Point Rummage Sale on Friday and Saturday, June 13-14, 2014. J Laundergan (Community Mission Area) volunteered to be in charge of the sale. St. Andrew's needs to do something for the Steve O'Neill housing project. Dave Johnson is planning a 'run' as a fund raiser. He also has an idea about a 'shower type event' to collect items that families can use in their new housing. There was discussion about where the money raised last year went. There is some money in the Youth Fund.

***Adjournment***

The meeting was closed at 12:15 p.m. with Psalm 31 read by Mary Anderson.

The next meeting of the Bishop's Committee will be on Sunday, May 4, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Laundergan, Clerk