

St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church
Bishop's Committee Meeting
Sunday, March 19, 2017

Present: Karen Nichols, Sr. Warden, Laura Jacobs, Jr. Warden, Dave Johnson, Liz Benson-Johnson, J. Laundergan, Kinnan Stauber, Jean Laundergan, Clerk, Mary Anderson (guest). **Absent:** Brian Lundberg (at TEC), Sandy Carlson (out-of-town).

Note: Rev. Marta was present for morning worship but returned to TEC after the service.

Call to Order & Opening Prayer

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Karen and she opened the meeting with a prayer.

Reflection

A Biblical story was read and discussed. What does it mean? What stood out? What is the Gospel saying? What is Jesus/the Gospel calling us to do or be?

Minutes

A motion to accept the minutes of the February 12th meeting as prepared was made by Laura, seconded by Liz and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Kinnan presented a one-page Profit & Loss Budget Performance Report for February 2017. Income was above expectations and the budget looks good for the coming year.

What should we know for the coming months?

March 25th, 10:00: Isaiah Project at Peace Church to discuss sanctuary churches. Rev. Marta and Mary A. plan to attend. (Bonnie Copenhaver also?).

April 23rd: Bonnie & Tom Malterer are being received (as members of St. Andrew's) by the Bishop at St. Paul's 10:00 a.m. service.

Old Business

A congregational meeting will be held following morning worship on Sunday, March 26th to update the members on the Landscape Project. There are two different plans for the project. The architect will be at the meeting and there will be a visual presentation as well as small paper copies of the plans available. Dave J. will give background information. The project will be done in stages; cost estimates for each stage are needed. We need to be more handicapped accessible. New signage is needed so that we are more visible. Possible improvement of the driveway (street) will be pursued.

We had a follow-up discussion on the Mutual Ministry review and agreed that it was a very worthwhile session. Notes from the Mutual Ministry Review will be e-mailed to BC members.

New Business

The Rev. Marta Maddy is currently a "Priest in Charge" (which means "temporary" position). We agreed that we want her position to be Vicar. This will be beneficial to her.

The motion to begin the process was made by Dave J., seconded by J Laundergan, and passed unanimously. Sandy C. will send an e-mail vote. Karen will begin the necessary steps to accomplish this. She will write a

paragraph explaining what we want to do and why. A new contract will be written. There will be an installation and a celebration will be planned.

The annual BRAT SALE will happen again this year during the Park Point Garage Sales June 9-10. In addition, St. Andrew's will hold a BOOK SALE during the event. Liz B-J and J Laundergan are working on this. Posters will be put up and announcement will be made. Bring Books!

Electronic Files – There is concern about ways to permanently save important St. Andrew's files, information, etc. Dave Johnson and Karen will work on this. Apparently some information is missing so it is important that this be done. Get any relevant information to Karen. This will be a big project to accomplish.

Committee Charters – there was agreement that we do this – documents need to be updated. By next BC meeting review the Charters and make notes. Laura offered to do the typing.

The Vestry covenant will be discussed when Rev. Marta is present.

It was reported that three weeks in a row there have been incidents of someone gaining access to the church and 'messing' with the piano and organ. John Brostrom will be asked to do some additional checking and we all should be alert to being sure doors are secured and locked.

Let Karen know if there are any items for the April BC meeting agenda.

As there was no further business to come before today's meeting, Karen adjourned the meeting at 12:40 with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Laundergan, Clerk