

St. Andrew's by the Lake
Bishop's Committee Meeting
Sunday, June 1, 2014

Present: Aron Kramer, Vicar, Roberta Cline, Sr. Warden, Mary Anderson, Jr. Warden, Kinnan Stauber, Treasurer, J Laundergan, Jean Laundergan
Absent: JC Curtis, Cameron Hubley, Ken Oliver

Roberta called the June meeting of the Bishop's Committee to order at 11:15 am.

Sr. Warden's Report: Roberta reported on the CHUM assembly which was held recently at Sacred Heart. The focus was the new Steve O'Neil Apartments, which are located at 3rd Ave West and 4th St. Good progress is being made – the target date is November. There will be a walking tour and a blessing of the apartments. An effort is underway to furnish the apartments. There is a registry at Target for this purpose. Would St. Andrew's want to do something as a Parish? There will be 40 apartments and a transitional family shelter for those with chronic homelessness. Assistance will be available to help people find stable housing. Since January, 30 (thirty) families have been placed in stable housing.

Vicar's Report: On a personal note, Aron said that it has been a tough couple of months for him. Naomi and Eliot will be able to stay at Breck School. His car died so he is using his brother's old VW Jetta and borrowing a car from his parents. He will have Eliot and Naomi with him during the week this summer.

He talked with Lee Stuart at CHUM. The grand piano, which a couple had offered to St. Andrew's, will have a new home at the Steve O'Neil apartments. They are thrilled to receive it and have volunteers who will teach piano.

Aron attended the City Council meeting re: the S-Curve at 12th Street on Park Point and the proposal to divert traffic to Minnesota Avenue at 8th Street, just past the Aerial Bridge. He has written a letter which will be printed in the "The Breeze" – the Park Point Community Club newsletter.

He is looking forward to the graduation Sunday celebration (June 22nd). Four St. Andrew's youth are graduating: Mitch Autio, Emiline Jacobs, Jacob Laundergan, Joey Nichols.

St. Andrew's has a loan (for the church remodeling) from Republic Bank. We also have a loan from the Diocese. A renewal form from the bank was sent to the Diocese and their response was that "this is a bad loan". An extension (3 month/90 day) has been granted by Republic. There is a problem with the wording and that is being reviewed at present. The form can't just be amended. It is an administrative issue and not the fault of St. Andrew's.

The recent Mission Area gathering was small but there was good discussion.

A Thank You note was received from the Ascension Youth Choir from Stillwater. They loved being at St. Andrew's and would like to come again.

The e-mail addresses of St. Andrew's parishioners need to be updated. A notice will be put in the Sunday bulletin and the Grains of Sand.

Mary Gaidis has some information regarding the Memorial Fund amounts and donations.

Treasurer's Report: No report today – because today is June 1st and up-to-date figures are not yet available.

Minutes: The minutes of the May 4th meeting were accepted as presented. Minutes are sent via e-mail to the B.C. members (a printed copy is mailed to JC Curtis). Minutes should be e-mailed to the church e-mail account also. Minutes are posted on the church website.

Updates:

- 1) Brat Sale (Friday/Saturday, June 13-14, during the Park Point Rummage Sale): Ken Oliver will take care of getting the brats and the hamburger patties. Lori Thompson knows what supplies are needed. St. Andrew's has the appropriate license for the Brat Sale. Buckets will be placed in the bathrooms for monetary donations (St. Andrew's allows the public to use the bathrooms during this event.) There are several protocols which must be followed (using bleach, protective gloves, etc.)
- 2) Graduation Sunday, June 22nd: The four graduates will be involved in the service. Each graduate will be presented with a special "St. Andrew's" blanket. A graduation cake will be ordered for the coffee hour after the service. Brian has written a letter to the parents of the grads requesting photos to be displayed and shared at the coffee hour.
- 3) Fern Valley 5K Walk/Run, Saturday, September 27th: Dave Johnson and Karen Nichols are heading up this event. Plans are in process for this event which is tentatively scheduled for the Marshall School grounds (Dave J is working to confirm). An alternative location might be Lester Park. Proceeds will benefit the Steve O'Neil Apartments. Sponsors are being sought. A sponsorship form has been created and will be distributed. The congregation will be asked to help with this. Erin B. is a graphic designer and is creating a logo. The size of the sponsor ad will be determined by the contribution amount.
Concerns were expressed about liability issues; is a license needed, etc.
- 4) Sunday Welcome: Cameron is doing this month (June); Roberta will do July; Jean L. volunteered to do August. A volunteer is needed for September.

There will not be a Bishop's Committee meeting in July. If an issue comes up it will be handled via e-mail.

The next meeting of the BC will be held on Sunday, August 3rd, following the service.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m. with a prayer (earth-nature-blessing) given by Roberta.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Laundergan, Clerk