

**St. Andrew's by the Lake
Special Bishop's Committee Meeting
Sunday, June 14, 2015**

Present: Marta Maddy, Priest-in-Charge, Mary Anderson, Sr. Warden, Sandra Carlson, Visitor, Dave Johnson, J Laudergeran, Ken Oliver, Bob Owens, Mary Ellen Owens, Kinnan Stauber, Jean Laudergeran, Clerk. **Absent:** JC Curtis (out-of-town 6/10-30), Karen Nichols.

Call to Order

The June meeting of the Bishop's Committee was called to order at 11:25 a.m. on Sunday, June 14th, by Mary A., Sr. Warden

Opening Prayer

The Rev. Marta Maddy offered a prayer to begin the meeting.

Minutes of the May 17, 2015 Meeting

Jean said that there were some minor changes for the minutes: 1) The last name of Erin (graphic designer) is Bloxham; 2) Copies of the ECMN Internal Audit Presentation were distributed at the meeting. 3) JC Curtis spotted a 'typo' in the minutes and also asked about when the item about having an ad and news item in the Park Point Breeze was discussed (the discussion took place at the April meeting).

Bob O. made the motion to accept the minutes as modified, the motion was seconded by Dave J., the motion passed unanimously.

National Night Out (NNO) – Tuesday, August 4, 2015 (5:30-7:00 p.m.)

Sandra Carlson attended today's meeting with a proposal. She would like St. Andrew's to host a "National Night Out" potluck event this year. She presented her ideas (see attachment) and there was discussion. The Bishop's Committee agreed and we will proceed with this event.

Sandra will do the organizing and will contact the person in charge of the sign on the S-curve; the Duluth paper to have it listed with the other NNO events; write an article for the Grains of Sand. There will be sign-up sheets for food and tasks – the support of the whole congregation is needed.

St. Andrew's Logo

Dave Johnson had to leave the meeting early so he gave an update. He met with a graphic designer, Matt Olen, for ideas. It was decided that one design and one alternative will be submitted. The logo should be 'radical' (not conservative).

Another idea came out of the NNO discussion and the logo discussion as a result of the photo in today's worship service bulletin of the statue of Jesus resting on a park bench. Perhaps part of the Ardice Hanson gift to St. Andrew's could be used to purchase a park bench to place in front yard of the church (see below). This idea will be pursued (Dave J. volunteered).

Reports

Treasurer – Kinnan S. distributed copies of the financials for the period ending May 31, 2015. Profit & Loss Budget Performance: May 15: net income - \$2,923.14; net ordinary income is -\$686.81; Jan-May 15, 2015 - \$13,555.01; YTD Budget: \$12,083.96; Annual Budget: \$19,159.97.

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2015: Total Assets = \$530,624.48. Total Long Term Liabilities = \$149,787.67; Total Equity = \$380,836.81 (incl. all designated funds). Total Liabilities & Equity = \$530,624.48. Discussion followed – the finances appear to be OK.

Old Business

Shannon Preston's Ordination – St. Andrew's is giving Shannon a monetary gift of \$2,125.00. (Motion at May BC Mtg. to take \$1,776.66 from the Memorial Fund and ask St.

Andrew's members to add to that amount if they wish.) There is a card for St. Andrew's members to sign for Shannon. The ordination will be on Saturday, June 20th, at the Breck School in the Twin Cities.

Lawn Mowing Covered – Bruce is doing the weed-whacking; Denby (neighbor) will do the mowing; Greg Peterson will fill in when needed.

Columbarium – J Laundergan raised a question about the Columbarium. There isn't much space left in the current one. The beautiful new wooden cabinet which is located in the Memorial Room was built to be used for that purpose. However, it is apparently too large for the space in the Sanctuary and some people expressed a dislike for it. J will talk with Dick Braun for more information. (*Note:* An informal discussion (Dick, J, Laura, Marta) was held following the worship service on Sunday, June 21st. Some possible solutions were considered and will be pursued.)

Brat Sale Summary – Started with \$350 cash, receipts approx. \$3,014.71, expenses approx. \$1,288.72. Profit approx. \$3,000.

New Business

(Logo presented earlier in the meeting.)

Acceptance of Ardice Hanson Bequeath – St. Andrew's received a gift of **\$58,333.33** from the estate of Ardice Hanson. There were no stipulations as to how the money can be used.

The motion to accept this gift was made by Bob O., seconded by Ken O, and passed unanimously. The money will be temporarily held in the Memorial Fund account.

A committee will be established to come up with ideas (park bench mentioned earlier) There will be a meeting for this purpose on July 12th (and perhaps a meeting of the congregation at some point). It would be wise to put the funds in an interest bearing account. The Finance Committee will be having a meeting soon.

Other

*Jean L. reported that a request (phone message) was received from Wendy Grethen who is working on a project – a history of Park Point. She has also done other areas of Duluth. Wendy asked if we had information on St. Andrew's history to share, and perhaps some photos. Jean said that she has some of the information on her computer from a few years ago. The BC members agreed that it would be fine to participate in this. There might be old photos available too. Jean will get the information she has to Wendy.

*The funeral for Howard Jacobs will be on July 11th.

*The voice recording on the church phone will be changed soon!

*August 30th will be a service of Morning Prayer.

*Marta is using a different lectionary, the New Zealand Prayer Book.

*The cost for a guest musician for Sunday service is \$125.

*Marta will be taking a one week vacation beginning September 6th.

*Judith Olson (former parishioner) will be getting married on Saturday, August 29th.

Cindy Peterson-Wlosinski will be doing the service.

There will not be a Bishop's Committee meeting in July.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, August 9th.

Call for adjournment – As there was no further business for today's meeting the motion to adjourn at 12:45 p.m. was made by Ken O. and seconded by J Laundergan, and passed unanimously.

Closing Prayer – Marta offered a prayer to close the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Laundergan, Clerk