

St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church

Bishop's Committee Meeting, Sunday, March 18, 2018

Present: The Rev. Marta Maddy, Sandy Carlson, Liz Benson Johnson, Dave Johnson, Laura Jacobs, Jr. Warden, Jean Laundergan, Clerk, Mary Anderson, Guest (former Sr. Warden).

Absent: Karen Nichols (vacation), and Tom Malterer (vacation). Kinnan Stauber.

Laura called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Marta opened the meeting with a prayer.

Landscape Project: The agenda for the meeting was suspended at this point so that Mary and Dave could present the updates on the Landscape Project. The plans were projected on the screen and paper copies were distributed. Two bids were received: Miller Creek Lawn and Landscape and Saline Landscape and Design. The Saline bid will be accepted as it is more comprehensive and lower cost (\$43,900) compared to Miller Creek which is \$61,846 (\$17,946 higher!). Dave made the motion that we accept the Saline bid. The motion was seconded by Liz B-J and Sandy C. and passed unanimously. Memorial Funds will be used for this project.

Reminder: there is memorial money for Donna Grover and Ardice Hansen. Also, some church members might want to contribute to this project (details to be determined). Mike S. will be hired and the work will begin in April. The Saline bid includes removing concrete; 'repairing the ground', plantings not included, one new tree, seating wall, prepare beds for planting, new pavers/stamped concrete.

Other considerations: Upgrade and move the St. Andrew's sign and make it two-sided (more visible); an electrician will be hired (budget item); outdoor power outlet needed for the Brat Sale; Dave J. will get electrician bids (approx.. \$5000).

Mary A. will contact Michael Pipkin at the ECMN (mission management) re: possible financial help with the landscape project.

Reflection: Two readings from Philippians II – one from the NRSV and one from "The Message". There was some discussion about the two versions. The members of the Bishop's Committee are the leaders of the church.

Minutes of the January Meeting: The reading and approval of the minutes was postponed until the April 22nd BC -Meeting because today's meeting did not have a quorum.

Calendar for the coming month: Palm Sunday – March 25th, Maundy Thursday – March 29th, 5:30 p.m. with Agape meal, Eucharist, washing of hands. Good Friday – March 30th, Noon, Holy Eucharist. March 31st – Great Easter Vigil, 7 p.m. April 1st – Easter Sunday, 9:45 a.m. NOTE: Marta will be away April 10-16, attending CREDO in Prescott, Arizona. The Rev. Stephen Wlosinski will preach on Sunday, April 15th.

Parochial Report: The report is now due – it was reviewed (# in attendance, # of services, Aftenro involvement, home eucharist, CHUM, Saturday services, # communicants in good standing, youth, etc.) Laura made the motion to accept the report, Liz B-J seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. It was signed by Jean Laundergan, Clerk.

Budget: The finances (expenses and income, Balance Sheet) look fine at this point. The Memorial Fund is OK.

Survey Results: These will be discussed at the April 22nd BC Meeting. It was suggested that Dawn Buck (PPCC) be invited to talk with us about the community of Park Point.

Near the end of the meeting Dave J. connected with Karen N. by phone so that she would know about the most important items discussed at today's meeting.

There was some discussion regarding **parking on Minnesota Ave.** Some people have received parking tickets. Marta has been in contact with the Police Department on this issue. It seems to be resolved. When there is a funeral, the Funeral Home takes care of signage for parking.

Excess Chairs and Tables: Liz mentioned that we have too many chairs (metal folding) and (blue upholstered) that should be disposed of (donated to a worthy cause – CHUM, Rowing Club, etc. Also to be removed – some of the older heavy round tables. There is a cost involved in having a person (recommended by Liz B-J) remove the tables and chairs and deliver them to whatever.

Marta received a request from JC Curtis that we consider getting a gift card for gas for the snowblower and a restaurant card for Denby (shoveler). Tabled for now.

Life House: St. Andrew's has received a request from Life House for two sample projects include A \$1000 Sheltering Arms Grant – setting up their new “Legitimate Hustle Classroom in the new building next door. We need furnishings and supplies to help those youth that need guidance in finishing their adult diploma or GED and even help some youth apply to college. The space is pretty bare – any help getting this space more habitable would be wonderful. Another need is helping to purchase bus passes for youth as well as IDs for youth. Liz B-J offered to work with Amy (last name) on an application for a grant from the ECMN.

Grains of Sand/ Park Point Breeze: Sandy C. is working on the April Grains of Sand and plans to have it include an article on Native History (Nick Smith). Also she is working on the Ad for the upcoming issue of Park Point Breeze.

As there was no further business, Dave moved to adjourn at 12:55, and Laura seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Laundergan, Clerk