

MINUTES October 14, 2014 VESTRY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Fr. Mark Collins at 6:30 PM.

Present: Wendy Wright, John Hatheway, Susan Walker, Fabio Mejia, Jean Geater, Theresa Paolucci, Inez Lambert, Jeanne Blazina, Bill Ambler, Lydia Colón, and Fr. Mark Collins,

Absent: Judith Jones and Yvonne O'Neal

A quorum was present and we opened with a prayer.
Thanks to Jean Geater for refreshments.

The Agenda was reviewed and accepted as submitted.
The minutes were corrected, Susan Walker moved for a vote to accept minutes as corrected and Bill Ambler seconded. The minutes were accepted as amended. Jeanne Blazina abstained as she was not present for last month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Fr. Mark gave the Treasurer's Report:

Corrections made to the report

- Pledge Income is at 67%
- Thrift Shop was removed from the report to reflect that there was no income from this area as it no longer exists.
- Fundraising includes Mayfair
- Note 1 was amended to change the word "departed" to "former."

We will have approximately \$60K - \$65K from our endowment fund.

Fr. Mark reported that Barbara Davison has joined the staff of CHT as Bookkeeper and after 2 weeks has caught on quickly and well.

Buildings & Grounds Committee – John Hatheway

The clean-up day in September was used to clean out the boiler room and the basement. A 20 yard dumpster was rented for \$500 to cart away the debris.

Some building plans were found, but are not complete.

The gas boiler in St. Christopher's House is still not operational. We are still waiting for Con Edison and the NYC inspection. Payment has been made to the contractor except for the Diocesan portion.

Hannington Engineering has completed the plans for the new church boiler and hopefully they will go out for estimates within 2-3 weeks. The steam coil is the major problem – it “leaks like a sieve.”

Until the boiler work is complete, the worst-case scenario is:

- To move the Sunday Eucharist to Draesel Hall
- Denton & Fr. Mark may need to move into the apartment above the office

The apartment above the office is vacant, however, radiator work needs to be done.

These temporary actions would result in approximately a \$90k savings from fuel oil for the church boiler.

Bill Ambler received a \$3500 estimate from Solutions NY for painting the chapel. He will get another two estimates to meet the requirement of three per project.

Search Committee – Inez Lambert

Inez Lambert reported that the Search Committee met with the Buildings & Grounds Committee of the Vestry on Tuesday, October 7th to get an update for the church profile. They also met with Fr. Mark for an overview of what it is to be a rector at CHT.

Deb Tammereau will have a copy of the parish profile before her meeting with the Search Committee in November.

Timing for posting the job opening with the church profile on the Diocesan website under Clergy Resources will be sometime between late December and early January.

For budget purposes, it will be assumed that the Interim Rector will remain for the first quarter of the new year and that the new Rector will be compensated for the rest of the year. However, if the new Rector has a family, the move into the church may not be until the summer of 2015 after the school year.

The Finance Committee will comprise the clergy compensation committee.

There were no **Wardens' reports** today

Interim's Report

Stewardship will kick-off on October 19th. Three speakers are scheduled for 3 Sundays except Marathon Sunday, November 2nd.

November 23rd is In-gathering and International potluck Sunday after the 10:30 AM service.

December 2nd is the phone-a-thon where vestry members are expected to participate.

December 6th is the Pledge “Thank-You” reception in the rectory.

December 17th is the Greening of the Church.

A nominating committee will be comprised of the out-going members of the Vestry: Jean Geater, Jeanne Blazina, Inez Lambert, Judith Jones and Susan Walker. There is also an opening on the Vestry for Donna Bradbury who resigned last month.

The Adult Christian Education committee members: Inez Lambert, James Daubs, Yvonne O'Neal and Chris Knight are developing a program where we will look at Spirituality in the church. Instructed Spirituality will be presented on October 26th.

The following Vestry members have offered to provide refreshments for the next vestry meetings:

November - Susan Walker

December – Fr. Mark

January – Wendy Wright

Our next Vestry meeting is November 11, 2014 at 6:30 PM.

We ended with a prayer and adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Submitted by Lydia M. Colón for

Clerk of the Vestry

Janice Ewing