

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Our Mission: to know and share God's love

Our Vision: to do God's work in our community as a church without walls

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES --- July 20, 2017, 2017 p.m.; library

The meeting was officially called to order at 7:02 p.m. by M. Giovan King.

Attendance: M. Giovan King, Joanna Witt, Hal Barnes, Walter Beh, Hank Bruckner, Karen Gifford, and Mary Smith.

Absent: Daryl Cazinha, Shane Shields, Josh Stephens, Kathy Winston, and Mary Alice Woody.

Devotions were given by Joanna Witt, a prayer called "My Standard" from the book God Calling. M. Giovan said that Ashley Shields is having some medical issues and can use our prayers. Likewise, she said that diocesan treasurer Peter Perreira is not doing well and can use our prayers. Mary Smith asked for prayers for her Mom, who had fluid in her lungs. Joanna asked for prayers for her husband Dean, who is very fragile.

Mary Smith made a motion to accept the minutes of June 15th. The motion passed.

Financials: Hal Barnes said that a budget is just a projection and that it can always change. He added that right now, however, we are looking very good financially. He said that we are in a stronger position financially than we were a year ago. Mary Smith suggested that we put a note in the church bulletin (and also in an e-blast) that states how much annually we collect in the birthdays and other celebrations, and to say where that money is used.

Senior Warden's Report: Joanna Witt said that Colleen Schiefelbein, her former mentor in EFM, has applied to the Virginia Seminary, and that Executive Committee moves that we give \$1,000 to help with her studies (as part of Theological Education). Passed. Giovan will check to see if we send it directly to Colleen or to the Seminary. Joanna also reminded everyone that organist Joey Fala is playing Sunday at St. Christopher's and she encouraged everyone to attend.

Rector's Report: M. Giovan reminded us that September 10th is our Beach Mass. She said that Adon, who sealed the parking lot, wants to come by next week to talk with us about a battery operated solar system to keep the electricity bill down. We've been averaging \$600 per month for electricity. Mary Smith suggested that we get a second opinion. Hal Barnes said that Kathy Winston is requesting a place to park her dog-grooming van and wants to rent at St. Christopher's. He suggested we research fair rental fees. Mary Smith suggested that she park the van at 93 N. Kainalu (Family Promise Day Center) rather than the church parking lot. Following discussion, Hal moved that with full insurance and fair market rent, we allow Kathy one-year lease. Passed.

Standing Committees:

Care of Parish:

Joanna said that the 4th of July party was a lot of fun and that the attendance was good. Hal said that the clip-ons for the name tags are somewhat difficult, and that it might be easier to wear them around the neck. M. Giovan said that she needs to remind the ushers to remind everyone coming in to the services to get their name tags.

Care of Community:

M. Giovan said that we need more advertisement for the craft fair, as the last one was poorly attended. Mary Smith reminded everyone that Family Promise is coming up on August 20-27 and that she will need our support.

Care of Property:

Following discussion, it was agreed that we need an insurance adjustor to visit the property, and that we will need to contact an insurance company in order to do this. M. Giovan said that we should check on the status of the Hunter fans to make sure that the order has been put in. Hal Barnes said that he is going to make the plumbing issues and signage issues a priority for the next few weeks.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, August 17, 2017. Following prayer, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Karen Gifford
Clerk