

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Mission: to know and share God's love

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

VESTRY MEETING MINUTES- October 20, 2016; 7:00 pm; Library

The meeting was officially called to order at 6:55 pm by M Giovan King.

Attendance: M.Giovan King, Joanna Witt, Rusty Evers, Kathy Winston, Walter Beh, Hank Bruckner, Barbra Green, Shane Shields, Mary Smith, Maryalice Woody

Absent: Virginia Young

Devotions were given by Mary Smith on "Let there be peace on earth." We were also given a pamphlet: "A Season of Prayers for an Election." Prayer Concerns included: John Domke, currently out of hospital following 2nd chemo treatment, doing well (he stopped by St C's to check on the sprinklers; Frank Embree, in need of heart surgery; Gaylord Hitchcock (who is looking for care facilities in California); Petty Floyd, who is doing well; Ernest Harris (who had a medical issue at 9:30 service, but is doing better and plans to volunteer at Family Promise).

Motion by Hank Bruckner, seconded by Barbra Green, approved, to accept as written the minutes of September 22, 2016.

Treasurer's Report was received: Rusty reports pledges are slightly under and says once our campus renovations are complete, we need to rent out the spaces available as soon as possible. Rusty reports that as of today we have received 37% of our 2017 pledge amount goal.

Senior Warden Report: Joanna reports that the campus renovations are going well and that Coastal Windows will start their install next week. Kehaulani will finish carpet at conclusion of Coastal Windows install. We have learned that St. Mark's is on a diocesan list for getting solar from Hawaii Solar Connections and will investigate that for ourselves.

Rector's Report: Vestry members signed a new form for the nomination of James Shire to the priesthood (our signing last month left out some canonical requirements). A copy of the Church Audit was given and a motion was made by Barbra Green, seconded by Hank Bruckner, and passed that we accept the audit as posted.

Update on organ repair: there is an electrical issue with the blower. Repair is complicated, as many parts need to be disassembled, but expected to be complete by Christmas.

The Foodland "Give Aloha" fund drive earned \$6,721.81, and we give thanks.

We discussed the Nominating Committee and its composition according to the bylaws. Committee consists of Junior Warden, as well as Barbra Green and Virginia Young (our current two outgoing vestry members) and two non-vestry members. Beth Barry has expressed willingness to serve and it was suggested that we try to get a first service person as the final member (possibly Barbara Chang, Daryl Cazinha, or Fred Smith).

M Giovan had also sent out "The Seven Deadly Sins of Church Announcements" (i.e., timing, length, etc.) Consensus was to keep our announcements as they are for now.

We discussed implementing a Vestry Stewardship Statement. Motion by Barbra Green, second by Mary Smith, approved, to accept the suggested vestry stewardship statement. We will put it on a subsite of our website and revisit the statement at the 2017 vestry retreat. It was also suggested that we tie our statement to our mission, vision, and goals of our three committees.

Care of Parish: Rusty Evers shared that his cousin, Tommy, is doing better. We continue to pray for Victoria Hawkins. John Stefan had shoulder surgery and is now on our prayer lists.

The recent comer event is October 30, 5-8 pm, at Karen Gifford's home. Recent comer Josh Stephens will bring the wine (he is a wine representative). It was suggested that we put directions about downloading our directory in our weekly news. There is a Godly Play event November 2nd.

Attendance at second service continues to be an issue. We discussed possibility of having postcards that members are encouraged to hand out to friends and those they meet, as well as to guests and newcomers who give us their addresses.

Care of Community: Barbra Green discussed the February 11, 2017 crafts fair on campus, geared to the community, and we agreed we would like a booth. We need a team to facilitate parking and direct vendors to their booths. Barbra suggests we make announcements at services to encourage any crafty parishioners to think about what our booth might include. We also discussed the possibility of a monthly restaurant night (e.g., taco night at Pinky's).

We discussed the December 4 Christmas dinner with State Hospital staff and clients. Maryalice, Barbra, and Mary Smith will be involved in cooking and decorating.

Care of Property: Motion by Maryalice Woody, second by Barbra Green, passed, to engage services of commercial realtor from Coldwell Banker to help rent out upstairs spaces.

Mary Smith and Walter Beh met with Tropical Raingutters and there was consensus to accept their revised bid to do our gutters (\$2579.94).

Church work day is November 5th, partly in preparation for Family Promise.

For the good of the order: It was agreed that we need to have usher training, including how to work new fans, lock and unlock worship space, etc.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 17th. Devotions: Hank Bruckner. Vestry highlights will be given by Walter Beh at 7:15 service and Rusty at the 9:30 service.

Following Compline, meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Kathy Winston,
Clerk