

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE VESTRY OF ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, DENVER, COLORADO, HELD AT THE CHURCH
ON NOVEMBER 2, 2010

Present were Vestry members Richard DeTar, Judie James, Elizabeth Randall, Janice Burley, Lynn Hardcastle, Eric Frame, Liz Evans, Shelley Brown, Peter Thulson, and Jim Anthony. Also present were non-Vestry members Martha Bollenbacher and Tim Krueger.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 .m. There was a meditation for All Souls' Day. Vestry members Brian Hyde and Steve Grupe arrived. There was a very brief refreshment break.

Martha gave her report on the Endowment Committee (which see) for the fiscal year from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The Outreach money has not gone out yet. "We want to be careful about spending our capital because that's what our income is based on." Our investments are conservative and have done well in this economy. Our funds are managed by C.E.F., the Colorado Episcopal Foundation. A point in the Articles of Incorporation at Article 7, Endowment, may need clarification. The CEF attorney says it is correctly worded. If Martha gets any further clarification of this this year, she'll tell us. Lynn moved, Shelley seconded, and the Vestry passed unanimously a motion concerning the further correction of this point. Janice moved, Shelley seconded, and the Vestry passed unanimously the acceptance of Martha's Endowment Committee report.

Elizabeth notes that Beth Taylor is thrilled with Christ Church in Cranbrook (Michigan?). Beth will be ordained Saturday January 29, 2011. We completed and signed the necessary documents for this to happen. Judie asked if our Parish annual meeting could be moved to allow people to attend Beth's ordination. Discussion of this ensued. The Vestry recommended to the Rector moving the annual meeting so people can attend the ordination.

The 2011 Vestry nominating committee consists of Beckett Stokes, Shelley Brown, and Brian Hyde. They are talking to the four candidates from last year who were not elected.

There was discussion of Sacred Vision, Sacred Path and how we felt about the shortfall in the funds for this. There was congratulation and commendation of Andy Robinson and Susan Trickett for the job they did as co-chairs of this. At least ten of those who pledged to SVSP are people new to the Parish since the renovation and expansion of the church building. We brainstormed solutions to the problem of the shortfall. The committee which will address this consists of Rich Rinehart, Elizabeth Randall, Lynn Hardcastle, Jim Anthony, and Shelley Brown.

The Stewardship Committee will be chaired by Beckett Stokes. Belonging to it will be Eric Frame, Steve Grupe, Andy Robinson, and a newer Parishioner, yet to be named, not a member of the Vestry. This committee will begin working in mid-November

The Vestry voted to release the \$3600+ (75%) of the Endowment money to the Outreach Committee to spend. Shelley moved this, Janice seconded, and the vote was unanimous minus one abstention. Shelley sought clarification of what the precise figure is which is the “income” which is divided 75% for Outreach and 25% for that to which the Vestry decides to give it (he wrote, not ending his sentence with a preposition). Should we then conform our practice to the Articles of Incorporation or the Articles to our practice?

Brian Hyde had to leave early.

The Junior Warden’s report (which see) asked the help of the Vestry in prioritizing the buildings and grounds projects suggested during the past year, and also to prioritize them in terms of the Parish’s core values.

Treasurer Jim Anthony submitted the draft of the 2011 budget. Judie noted that the gardening and landscaping amounts may be a duplication. Elizabeth commended Jim for how well done the budget was.

Tim reported on Music. St. Martin’s Chamber Choir rewrote the Executive Director position description. There were several applicants. Steve Grupe was selected for this position. Brock Erickson will remain here. Tim left the meeting.

Shelley reported on the Ministry Collaboration Team. It is meeting this Saturday. There may be some realigning and reorganizing of it and some improvements in its communications.

Eric reported that the Outreach Committee will in December tell the Vestry how the \$3600+ will be spent.

Lynn reported for the A and A Committee (Okay, what does this stand for, really?). They have a budget. They will begin getting bids and estimates and planning for the redecoration of the common room, picking the colors for this and tying the colors together into an overall theme. They are looking for furniture for the common room.

Elizabeth, the Rector, gave her report (which see). It is important to discuss “our” homeless people, those who frequent the grounds of the Parish, and the problems this presents. This is less of an issue in the cold weather, but we should begin thinking about it for Spring.

Reports on Diocesan Convention: Steve reports there is lots of demographic information available for free on Parishes through the Diocese. Judie has already done some work on this. Elizabeth notes that incredible information is available. Jim Anthony spoke highly of the Amagitos community in Mexico and said we should consider involvement in this. Judie mentioned a diocesan session on liturgical arts and how these need not be permanent installations. Elizabeth found the workshops at the convention very good. Shelley noted that 11 people are signed up for the November 6 workday. We adjourned.

