

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE VESTRY OF ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH, DENVER, HELD ON TUESDAY JUNE 2, 2009

Present: Roger Kilgore, Liz Evans, Sue Backus, David Dunn, Deacon Sally Brown, Eric Frame, Debbie Courtney, Lynn Hardcastle, Richard DeTar, Jim Anthony, Tim Croasdaile, Judie James – Beckett Stokes said she could not be here, Rich Rinehart was travelling, and George Magnuson was also unable to be present.

Roger Kilgore reported on the Sacred Vision/Sacred Space Committee. He presented an outline of it's future plans. Our last worship at Holy Redeemer will be July 5th, 2009. He asked how the move will be done (Shelley is in charge of it.), by the separate ministries or by a general parish labor pool? On June 7, he will make a presentation on the move to the parish in general. Capital report: almost half a million dollars has been raised. 64% of the time for the capital campaign has passed. Mary Beth and Andy are planning reminder activities. We need a loan from the Colorado Episcopal Foundation of \$150,000 to close the gap this Summer created by the need to pay so many bills at this particular time, as the project is being completed. There was a discussion of interest rates. A minimum of \$5000 is needed for an individual to participate in this program. There is discussion of how it works. A person loans money to St. Andrew's through the CEF and is repaid with interest. Shelley moved and Lynn seconded, and it was unanimously approved that we participate in the CEF program. That program or a bank loan must happen by August for us to be able to pay the bills resulting from the building program. There is also a denominational interest subsidy program of \$208.33 a month, \$2500 a year. Jim Anthony and Kathy Fleming got together a lot of this information.

Regarding the minutes of the May 2009 meeting: Elizabeth Randall should now be mentioned by name as our new Rector. Deacon Sally: What she said was that the ministries with a lot of stuff to move will benefit from advanced notice regarding the moving schedule. Shelley: the acolytes, altar guild, deacon, outreach, and music were involved in the discussion mentioned in the last paragraph on page one of the minutes. Vivian, Parish Administrator, will post the minutes on the parish bulletin board and website. Elizabeth Randall's name should be added to the Search Committee report. Sue moved, Shelley seconded, and it was voted unanimously to approve the May minutes as revised.

Tim noted before the financial report that there were some added expenditures beyond our control which were not budgeted. Jim Anthony, Treasurer: The shortfall is large for the period immediately following Easter, around \$10,000. Jim went through the statement of income. Deacon Sally asked where outreach is in the statement. Jim did not know. Where is music? Liz asked where is the altar guild and the acolytes.

Tim: There is a \$7360 savings for the year, so we are not down \$3000 as budgeted. We would be \$30,000 better instead of \$10,000, but we know some pledges won't come in. SECA is recommended by the denomination. This involves Social Security. SECA is \$7000.

Shelley: Parish house expenses not covered by insurance include \$810 for paint, the phones and computer cost are unknown, she estimates \$1000 minimum. There was a water leak under the front lawn, a water line was replaced under the supervision of the Junior Warden at a cost of \$4700.

Tim: He has talked to Elizabeth Randall. The problem expenses are unavoidable. What can we do about the shortfall? This will be discussed with the new Rector. \$800 will be given for her office. There was a \$1000 donation for Elizabeth for pavers as part of our new landscaping. Deacon Sally's pay will stop also (as she is to retire in October of this year). Six months into Elizabeth's term of service with us, there will be a retreat to produce her position description (Is the Clerk of the Vestry supposed to attend this?).

Liz: Is there a Rector's discretionary fund? Tim: Next year there will be money for this, it's in the letter of agreement.

Shelley: Most of the painting is done, there is a lot of moving and systems work to be done, over 50 parishioners have been involved thus far.

Junior Warden's report (Judie): The insurance company wanted more boiler bids. The low bid was accepted. The water pipe was fixed. We'll have water and a boiler within 3 weeks and radiators within 4 to 6. Carpet will be laid next week and the week of June 22nd. The water pipe under the front yard was replaced. She's been meeting with Ben Cordova's Landscaping Committee. The sprinkler system must be repaired, for which the contractor will pay some of the cost. Bobbi Seersma's (sp.?) business is lawns and gardens, and she is helping with this. Not much will be done this year. The committee will develop a long-term landscaping plan for Spring. The Vestry may need to be involved.

Tim: Rich Rinehart's Collaboration Team has met, the meeting was good, 2/3 of the members were present, and the next meeting will be held this coming July.

Liz: Several priests and new Rectors have been contacted for ideas on how to best welcome a new Rector.

Deacon Sally: The Outreach Committee soon begins the grant discernment process. The Vestry must approve this. The Committee likes new things and things not well funded already. What about the land within the parking lots? Eric: IHN welcomes us for August and December. The situation with IHN for 2010 and on is uncertain.

Liz: God is working already in the St. Andrew's neighborhood. It is for us to discover how this is so.

Tim: Our diocesan delegates will be Tim, Judie, Deacon Sally, Father George, our new Rector Elizabeth, and two others. The meeting will be in Pueblo the 2nd and 3rd of this coming October. The High Plains Region will meet September 26th at St. John's Cathedral. The other two delegates will be Shelley and Eric. Lynn and Maryann O'Brien will be the alternates.

Tim: He meets weekly with Elizabeth. She starts being our Rector this coming August 1st and not before. She is going on vacation and will be back in July. Her last Sunday at St. John's will be June the 7th. We shall have a joint Eucharist with Holy Redeemer on July 5th. We'll do music and a barbecue. There will be a simple (barbecue? Party?) on July 12th. Mother Connie Delzell will be there on the 12th and celebrate the Eucharist. This was approved unanimously after Lynn moved it and Shelley seconded the motion. Deacon Sally discussed the liturgy for July 12th. There will be one service that day at 10:00 a.m. The details of that day were discussed. Will the multipurpose room be named the Delzell Room? The Titus Room? Will various rooms be named for past Rectors? There is discussion of what to name the multipurpose room.

We adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard P. DeTar, Clerk of the Vestry