

St. Thomas Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes for May 23, 2017

Present: Bette Dufour, Diane Mullen, Nancy Conley, Joan Allen, Thelma Martin, Janet Gizelt, Gail Carlson and Rick Kiefer.

Not Present: George Pawliczak, Fr. John Lipscomb

Senior Warden, Bette Dufour, opened the meeting at 7:55 pm with prayer.

Treasurer's Report: There is no Treasurer's Report for April as Marjorie Carter is having surgery at Shands. Bette reported that all bills have been paid. She reported that the pledge income is at 18 ½%, non-pledge income is at 64% and designated offerings are at 54%. Lisa Labud will put a reminder in the June newsletter and will be sending out pledge status information soon. This should remind parishioners to keep their pledges current.

Minutes: The minutes from the special vestry meeting of May 2nd were reviewed and Joan Allen made the motion to amend the organ repair funding to Line Item 008125 and supplement it with funds from the M. Kennedy bequest. Rick Kiefer seconded the motion as amended, and the motion passed.

The minutes from the April 18th vestry meeting were reviewed. The monies (\$300) for an attorney visit scheduled for May 24th will come out of Line Item 005230. Janet Gizelt made the motion to approve the minutes with this amendment. Nancy Conley seconded and the motion passed.

Rector's Report: There is not rector's report as Fr. John is not here. Sunday will be his last day at the church and he and Karen will be moved by May 31. Bette reported that she did receive a letter of resignation as requested by Fr. Nunez.

New Business

Bette Dufour discussed where we should take the monies from to pay the supply priest. The charge is \$175 for one service per week or \$225 for two services per week plus mileage. Nancy Conley motioned to take the payment from line item 005110 (rector's salary) and the mileage from 005290 (auto allowance). Janet Gizelt seconded and the motion passed.

There was discussion about having one or two services during July and August. However, the motion was tabled until we get input from the parishioners.

Bette reported that the cost of upkeep for the Meigg's house will be approximately \$450 per month plus insurance costs. Janet Gizelt motioned that maintenance required would come out of line item 005115 Rector's Housing. Bette will put it on the market next month with Pam Myers of Dave Lowe Realty for \$229,000.00. She will get George Pawliczak to work on the outside to make it more attractive for buyers. Gail Carlson seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The Marguerite Kennedy bequest was discussed and Rick Kiefer made the motion to put the rest of the funds (over \$3,000) into the organ fund (008125) to build it up. Nancy Conley seconded, and the motion passed.

Bette will contact Fr. Nunez to see if he can meet with us at our next regular meeting on June 20. She asked that we have our regular meeting at 6:00 and schedule Fr. Nunez for 7:00 pm.

The Bazaar was discussed. Diane Mullen motioned that we not do the Bazaar this year due to lack of volunteers and leadership. Other fundraising ideas were discussed and will be pursued further. Janet Gizelt seconded, and the motion passed. Vestry members should write out ideas and send them to Bette.

Old Business:

Gail Carlson volunteered to do the Pentecostal Dove on Pentecost Sunday.

Bette reported that she has secured the following supply priests and is working on more:

June 4: Fr. Ted Koelln and John Reilly Supply Organist
June 11: Fr. Ron Chrisner
June 18: Fr. Joe Sitts
June 25: Fr. Ron Chrisner
July 2: Fr. Ron Peak

Bette reported that Bess Short with assistance from Nancy Conley will continue Thursday Morning Prayer and Healing. Janet Clarke will be available to assist if necessary. We will try to keep everything as normal as possible. Lisa will get Fr. John to bless extra wafers for Lakeview Terrace and other needs.

Bette Dufour reported that there will be no Children's Church unless someone volunteers for this duty to replace Karen Lipscomb. She will also talk with Ron Peak about adult Sunday School.

Thelma Martin reported on ongoing hospital visits.

Diane Mullen reported that the Thrift Shop is doing well and will close beginning July 5 – August 19. At this time they hope to do a thorough clean up and repair. Several people have volunteered to paint some of the rooms and they would love to have new flooring. Elaine Moecker is getting several estimates on flooring costs. She hopes the church can provide some or all of the funding for any necessary updates and repairs. Diane requested that George Pawliczak get with Elaine prior to July 1 to review repairs needed to the Thrift Shop and storage area before any major work is done so we can prioritize needs.

Nancy Conley reported that ECW will break over the summer and try to have a luncheon in September to determine interest.

Bette asked all members to work on a vision and mission statement as requested by Fr. Nunez. Please send ideas to her so she can compile suggestions. Her email is bettedufour@yahoo.com. She also asked for suggestions for fundraising projects.

Bette closed the meeting with prayer at 8:20 pm. The next Vestry Meeting is scheduled for June 20th at 6:00 pm.

Respectively submitted,
Diane Mullen