

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Vestry Minutes for August 26, 2018

Present: Bette Dufour, Rick Kiefer, Diane Mullen, Thelma Martin, Gail Carlson, Nancy Conley, Beverly Cox, Joan Allen, and George Pawliczak

Not Present: All Vestry Members present

Senior Warden, Bette Dufour opened the special meeting at 9:15AM to discuss the Diocesan Board's request for Mowery Trust funds. Justin Holcomb has requested an unspecified amount of money from the Mowery Trust to provide funds for five seminarians from the Central Florida Diocese.

After discussion, Diane Mullen made a motion to request brief biographies, a statement of needs, and a provision for some service to St. Thomas from those applicants. Distributing Mowery funds to applicants will suspend the Parish's ability to request funds for an additional year (2020). We had planned to request funding in 2019 to help with the much needed new roofing of the Sunday School Building. Diane withdrew her motion and Beverly Cox made a motion to notify the Diocese that due to this pressing need and our current low budget, and the fact that we are still in the process of calling a new rector, we vote not to fund seminarians at this time. The motion was seconded by Joan Allen and the motion was approved. Bette will communicate this to Justin Holcomb. The Vestry will look into reviewing and revising the process and procedures for distributing all scholarship funds.

Beverly Cox also asked us to consider the purchase of four new light-weight eight foot tables for the Parish Hall. The older, heavier ones could be used in the craft room. Rick Kiefer stated that he would bring this request up at the September MOST meeting and they could possibly fund this purchase. The total cost is approximately \$260. This request was tabled until the September meeting.

George Pawliczak is planning for a fall Work Day to do some work around the campus and especially around the Sunday School Building. He will let us know the date at the September Vestry Meeting.

Joan Allen made a motion to adjourn, Gail Carlson seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mullen