

Vestry - Sunday, October 21, 2018

Present: Selia, James, Diana, Lynn, Holly, Michael, Terri, Mitch

Absent: Barb, Dennis, Carolyn, Halim, Nick, Kevin

- - Terri called to order at 12:31
 - Approval of minutes.
 - Michael suggests changes to the minutes. Will be a friendly amendment that will be sent to Erin for Nick. Cap amount of Grounds services to asst. Sexton remaining in the budget.
 - Motion for approval made by Diana, seconded by Lynn.
 - Motion passed.
 - Reflect on coffee hour from last week and three goals: (1) Grow community relationships; (2) Deepen spiritual lives; (3) Work on social justice..
 - Diana - Just a desire to chat and having to do business didn't seem to be on people's minds
 - Diana discussed the choir and how Dorothy opens and closes their rehearsals with prayer.
 - Terri suggests that hearing what Diana is say, more spiritual. Components should be included in meetings, reducing the "all business" approach.
 - Diana said that adding more small groups to the parish while focusing on spiritual issues was important.
 - Lynn talked of 5-year goals instead of annual goals
 - Michael told of a project that may fit within the social justice goal.
 - Michael suggests that projects should be starting and they may encourage additional projects.
 - Discussion of Solar project ensued.
 - Greenwood funds discussion
 - Selia feels we really need to look at what the funding should be used for.
 - Diana offered that in the past, money was used for good projects.
 - Michael feels we need to present to people what we decide, and find out if there is consensus.
 - Suggests that we come up with a framework that allows us to come up when it is appropriate to talk about money.
 - The money should only go to teams when a project is brought through a team.
 - Asks that someone writes purpose of expenditure, how it is to be spent, how expenses will be tracked.
 - Team should name a person responsible for tracking and reporting expenses.
 - Discussed some ideas for getting further involvement in committee work from the parish.

- Michael will draft a form to be used for request for funds.
- - Building Usage Committee - Margaret Green
 - Made a couple changes to building usage policies
 - “Special Event” added to donation chart
 - “Building Hours” should be added (signs on doors, etc.)
 - Terri suggested posting “office hours”, while stating the church is generally open 8am-9pm daily. Events should be between these hours, although exceptions can be made in special cases.
 - Page 9 - felt they needed checkboxes for Kitchen Usage.
- Security Camera
 - Building Usage Committee has a problem with the process in which the cameras were installed and implemented. Nobody was notified until after they were installed, nor was there any say in where the cameras were placed.
 - Lynn recalled there was discussion at the vestry level about cameras for the food pantry. Michael said that was one of the ideas for security, but could not remember if there was discussion as far as installation of a system.
 - Margaret said she has heard concerns from parishioners that they are uneasy with cameras in the building without any usage procedures in place.
 - Building Usage Committee will establish a policy and locations where cameras should be based on input from the congregation and bring it back to the Vestry.
 - Terri demonstrated the Amazon Cloud-Cam.
 - Discussion ensued with suggested points for the Building Usage Committee to consider and discuss. They will report back to the Vestry.
- Finance - Kevin Green
 - [September 2018](#) Treasurer’s report submitted
 - Expects income for the year to be below budget
 - Kevin is reasonably confident that we will see a decrease in income from 2018 to 2019.
- - Property - Michael
 - Will be spending money from reserve fund, and will finish their budget at \$0, dealing with the flood.
 - Expenses \$2700, deductible \$3000, so no payout. Trying to negotiate with insurance company.
 - Won’t be recognized as a deficit, since this was an emergency.
- Stewardship

- Had 3 speakers with presentations.
- Nothing major coming up next week - except pastor's stewardship sermon.
- Leadership Dinner on **October 28**.
- Celebration Sunday - **Nov 4** at 10:00, celebration lunch to follow.
- New Business
- Community Dinner - **Sunday** before **Thanksgiving**
- **Thanksgiving** Eve Service - 11/21 - Including CCD, St. Paul's, Cherry Hill Presbyterian, and MOS. 7pm.
- We as a vestry need to make a decision regarding the Special Convention in June for Bishop's Election. The current delegates will go. If there are changes that the Vestry wants to make, it has to be submitted by next week.
- Vestry agreed to no changes.
- Terri offered a closing prayer.
- Adjournment at 2:49 pm.