

## Minutes – September 19, 2023 Vestry Meeting

Members Present: Fr. Keith Winton, Dari Dornan, Lois Westfall, Colleen Messec, Lance Baker, Shaun Rife, Eric Rodawig, Alex Allemang, and Joel VanderVeen. Absent: Sue Woodson and Charley Pugsley. Also Present: Camille Culp, ECW Representative, and Bill Ricketts.

- Meditation: Fr. Keith shared a discussion of the pattern for dying churches – the 5 things they have in common.
- The minutes for the August Vestry meeting were approved.
- Financial Report provided by Fr. Keith.
- Rector’s Report:
  - The defibulator has been installed. The sidewalk has been fixed. The roof is fixed. The fire alarm continues to be monitored
  - Kitchen. Alex reported.
    - Painting is on-going.
    - Countertops will be the next milestone.
    - It is suggested that upon completion, a celebration be held. Suggested that everyone bring a dish and its recipe to start a new St. Andrew’s cookbook.
  - Fall Events Calendar: Final music jam. Hoping that the Koshiwal family will be able to attend.
  - Table Life – There are 8 hosts. We would like to have 12-14 hosts.
  - Listening Sessions: Bill Ricketts – we need a refresh from the rector search meetings. Need proposed questions one of which should be on the music program. A possible date is October 8 for 20-30 minutes.
- Sr. Warden Report – no report as Charley is out of town on business.
- Jr. Warden report
  - The roof is fixed.
  - Still working on a list of deferred maintenance – The flat roof will need to be replaced in 3 to 5 years.
  - Will begin the process of selecting the nominating committee for Vestry positions.
- Committee Reports:
  - Buildings and Grounds: A neighbor complained about the brush around the parking lot. We will schedule a Saturday am workday. A preventative maintenance plan will be developed.
  - Welcome/ECW/Nearly New
    - Concern that alarms cannot be heard in the nearly new shop.
    - Camille continues to make newcomer bags. Quite a few were given out last Sunday. There are a dozen bags ready. Camille would like help with the bags.
    - More greeters are needed for the 9:00 service. Fr. Keith noted that there needs to be more engagement at the 9:00 service.

- ECW board meeting was held last Tuesday. Jaime Baker is the retreat leader We have a reservation at Schuyler in 2025. There may be a one-day retreat on Saturday April 22, 2024.
    - New coffee service with better pots and cheaper, better tasting coffee is coming.
    - Nearly New Shop acquired a new steamer for the many wrinkled clothes that are donated. The shop is in dire need of volunteers.
  - Liturgy: A new schedule for October through December is available.
  - Outreach: Volunteers are being sought to bring the family food from the various food banks in the city.
  - Christian Ed/Youth
    - First day of Sunday School was last Sunday. Out of 51 registered, 31 were in attendance. There were some good points and some challenges. The Jr. and Sr. High youth brainstormed ideas. One Sunday a month Mother Judi will preach the sermon so that Fr. Keith can be with the kids.
  - Communication: The phone app has been well received.
  - Stewardship: The stewardship campaign will be held next month.
- Old Business
  - Visioning will help us decide what to do with the Legacy Fund.
  - Safeguarding Gods Children: Fr. Keith drafted church policy based on the national church policy. A motion to accept the draft carried.
  - Organization Chart and Vestry reporting – results will result from strategic planning. Goals will be submitted beforehand to keep Vestry on track.
  - Policies and Procedures: Feedback is needed on the top for policies and procedures from the table of contents provided.
- New Business
  - Discussion was held on the purchase of a piano from Loree MacNeil. A motion to purchase the piano for \$8,000 from the organ fund carried.

The meeting ended following the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer for St. Andrew's Parish.

Dari Dornan