

Approved Minutes Vestry meeting, Sunday February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Attendants:

John Charny, Sr Warden

John Connelly, Jr Warden

Fr. Bob Witt, Permanent Supply Priest

Jack Rendlesham, Treasurer

David LePage, Secretary/vestry member

Vestry members: Richard Wise, Cheney Baltz, Toni Tittle, Marge Comella, Heidi Schinko, Betty Rendlesham (no absences). Guest: Fran Witt.

Opening prayer—Fr. Bob.

Motion to approve minutes of annual meeting and January vestry meeting—Marge said we need to vote for annual convention delegates, which did not happen at annual meeting. We do need to do that. {I needed to remove Priest in Charge reference, which I did, and the final January Vestry minutes were sent to Dorothea.}

**Junior Warden**, John Connelly, report:

1. **Met with Mark, Senior Technician from Gardner, St. Bart's Heating contractor.**

**Met new Technician, Page, who is assigned to handle any heating needs.**

2. **Set appointment for Fire alarm inspection with Power Alarm and Michael Libens, Assistant fire chief for Mayfield Village.**
3. **Checked AED.**
- 4 **Worked with Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew to clean church.**

John Charney recommended write anything technical down for future.

**Treasurer**, Jack Rendlesham, report—remember to check boxes for financial statements. Better to look quarterly. We were positive last month. Planning to shift some of prayer shawl account--\$100 to Deb and Steph for yarn, remaining \$175 to operating; Bereavement fund, \$941—like to reduce to \$100. Episcopal Church Women account not doing anything: \$1550—think about clearing out. Put off for future discussion.

**Search Committee**, Richard Wise, report—very first meeting last Sunday. Financial constraints a major factor. March 6<sup>th</sup> another candidate for ordination, Maureen Major.

**Senior Warden**, John Charny report

Toni Tittle discussed **communication** with her via email when necessary – but also provide hard copies; Heidi needs reports in the body of the email not just as an attachment.

**Motion** on Vote by email—Heidi motioned; Cheney seconded; motion passed.

**Vote** on Father Robert agreement via email—Marge motioned; John Connelly seconded; motion passed.

**Web Site**—Cheney working on it and gave report of plans for:

New site; New host; New format—all of which will be much easier to edit. Current system very unwieldy. Currently ~\$100/year; switch to \$216/year, but much better functionality.

Feedback—Cheney will send draft new website for review.

**Shrove** Tuesday dinner 5-7 run by scouts

**Fish Fry Motion**—Problem, original concept fell through, and the scouts just can't do it now.

Discussion: Toni--Parish not in position, spread too thin.

Richard—too late to mobilize; tanks should not be in boiler room.

Marge—Anybody else doing this? Richard—only one. Marge--When we restart, do it first in parish before opening it up for the public.

Toni moved to postpone to next year. Cheney seconded. Motion passed.

**Changes to improve sound** for people both in person and virtually—John Charny: improving but put microphone closer to face.

**Lenten services** Father Robert on vacation March 27, April 3– Supply Priest Anna Sutterisch for March 27; David LePage M.P. for April 3—microphone to consider.

### Old Business

**The sign status**—Matt in contact about finishing the sign.

Boy Scout **Troop project** (maybe Solar light)—it's been a suggestion for a while, but teenagers are hard to motivate. Matt will take care of it.

### New Business

**Service Format**—Fr. Bob: during Penitential season of Lent use Rite I. Marge motioned for approval, Cheney seconded, motion passed.

**Time and Talent Survey**—13 respondents; table for now.

**Policy for Bereavement Hosting**—Chuck Keay wants to have a service here June 4th for his wife, Norma, who was very active at St. Bart's five years ago and was a local schoolteacher.

Discussion: lunch at parish hall? Bereavement committee—doesn't exist anymore.

If we're going to say caterers, we need suggestions and contact information.

All directions posted in kitchen, but we need someone in charge.

Marge, happy to call people—the more you do together, the more you bring together.

Are we going to front? They pay us back? Bereavement paid by family.

Decided to table until check instructions; Jack will call Chuck and bring up next meeting.

**Parochial Report for 2021**—normally done by Priest for March 1<sup>st</sup>—have signatures for Jack, Tom, Dorothea; need signatures from me and Fr. Bob (which we gave).

John Charny—writing down **details for streaming** for facilitate switching with Cheney while out of town.

**Aleksander** \$150/service, 11 years without a raise and never missed a service. Jack recommended raise to \$175/service. Marge motioned, John Connelly seconded, motion passed.

**Unanimous accolades for Dorothea as church secretary.**

Closing Prayer