

St. John's Paris
Vestry Minutes
March 22, 2017

Present: Bob Speelman, Bob Rauth, Iris Heichel, Bill Alexander, Sr. Warden; Cathy Bushey, Sherrie Burkholder, Fr. Todd Young, Rector; Becca Burford, Margaret Clinch, Associate for Youth & Young Adults; Dusty Graham, Jr. Warden; Will Godwin, Jason Weibel, Susan Sunnarborg, Chip Sealing & Glenda Fuller

Absent: Bruce Massey

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM
- II. A motion was made by Will Godwin to accept the minutes of the 2.22.2017 meeting as printed.
 - a. Seconded by Bob Speelman
 - b. Motion passed
- III. Reports
 - a. Rector's Report—Fr. Todd Young
 - i. Shared outline of weekly schedule
 - ii. Evening Prayer
 1. Averaging about 7 people
 2. Bill Young is leading Evening Prayer on Fridays
 - iii. Received note of appreciation from HARC for paying annual dues
 - iv. Stewardship
 1. Christian Stewardship would like Vestry members to share "What St. John's Means to Me" in *Soundings* and as part of the service
 2. Part of the effort to make stewardship year round
 - v. Vestry Greeters
 1. Vestry members are asked to be greeters on Sunday mornings
 2. Will offered to help and schedule
 - vi. Vestry members are encouraged to be at as many Holy week services as possible
 - vii. Confirmation
 1. 11 or 12 youngsters in confirmation class
 2. Confirmation
 - a. 5/21 St. Thomas, Hancock
 - b. 6/11 St. Ann's, Smithsburg
 3. Letters sent to parents requesting them to select a date
 - b. Senior Warden's Report—Bill Alexander
 - i. Mayfest
 1. Deanna Soulis will be chairwoman
 2. Event has raised \$120,000
 3. Goal for 2017 is \$10,000
 4. Tickets \$75.00 apiece
 - ii. Treasurer
 1. Bill Soulis has resigned
 2. Searching for someone to replace him
 - c. Junior Warden's Report—Dusty Graham

- i. Thank You
 - 1. People should be appreciated for their service to the church
 - 2. Encouraged everyone to suggest people
 - ii. Kitchen Renovation
 - 1. Will assist Charles Chaney
 - 2. Contract signed with Bonded Applicators to start repairs to the roof
 - iii. Commission reports should be submitted the Friday before Vestry meeting
 - d. Associate for Youth & Young Adults—Margaret Clinch
 - i. Stations of the Cross
 - 1. Will be during Sunday School on Palm Sunday
 - 2. Need volunteers for the stations
 - ii. Appalachian Service Project—See New Business
- IV. Old Business
 - a. A motion was made by Dusty Graham and seconded by Will Godwin to borrow 3,885.70 from the Hollingsworth Fund to fulfill the \$30,000 toward the kitchen renovation.
 - i. Donations are continuing to be received; loan will only be for short time
 - ii. Renovations will begin immediately after Mayfest
 - iii. Motion passed
 - b. A motion was made by Will Godwin and seconded by Susan Sunnarborg to authorize \$1,600 toward the Appalachian Service project.
 - i. First payment due
 - ii. Motion passed
- V. New Business
 - a. Newcomers Bulletin Board
 - i. Display pictures of newcomers
 - ii. Pictures taken after newcomers have attended 4 or 5 Sundays
 - iii. An opportunity to get acquainted
 - iv. Suggested getting copies of the Episcopal Church Handbook
 - b. Haitian Boys' Choir
 - i. September 21 & 22, 2017
 - ii. Need volunteers to do publicity & getting host families
 - iii. Would like to have afternoon concert with Barbara Ingram School
 - c. A motion was made by Bill Alexander and seconded by Cathy Bushey to designate the Community Free Clinic, Hagerstown Family Center, Holly House & St. Etienne's as the recipients of the funds raised by this year's Mayfest.
 - i. Community Free Clinic will receive one third of the funds
 - ii. Washington Family Center will receive one third of the funds
 - iii. Holly House & St. Etienne's will divide the remaining portion of the funds
 - iv. Motion passed
 - d. A motion was made by Will Godwin and seconded by Glenda Fuller to authorize \$3,875.77 to Miller Anderson for boiler repairs.
 - i. Both boilers went out in January
 - ii. Invoice sent to the wrong church
 - iii. Motion passed
- VI. Commissions
 - a. Service & Outreach
 - i. Basket Bingo October 20, 2017

- ii. Bobbie Miller Human Service Volunteer Team
 - 1. Would like to establish
 - 2. Discuss at 4/2017 Vestry meeting
 - b. Parish Life—expressed appreciation to Bob Speelman for suggesting Leitersburg Ruritan Park for this year's Parish Picnic
 - c. Fabric & Grounds
 - i. Adopt-A-Garden
 - 1. Parishioners have volunteered to take care parish gardens
 - 2. Still need a few more volunteers
 - ii. Clean-Up & Mulch day is May 7, 2017
 - iii. Maryland Historical Trust
 - 1. Received report
 - 2. Some window frames need painting
 - 3. Leak in breezeway
 - 4. Light fixtures on roof causing rust
 - d. Christian Formation—VBS will be 7/16-19/2017
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted;

Ruth Ann Ogle, Registrar