

St. John's Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting
December 10, 2009
5:30 p.m.

Present:

Fletcher Montgomery, Rector
Mary Moore Roberson, Rector's Associate

Lee Rambo, Senior Warden
Faxie Watt – Junior Warden, Servant Ministry
John Boylston - Church Renovation
Michael Burkett – Stewardship
Les Cotter - Finance
Katie Gibson – Christian Formation, Children
Ann Gregg – Pastoral Care
Jamie LaBorde – Property Management
Jason Lockhart – Newcomers
Steve McMillan - Christian Formation-Youth
Anne Miller- Communications
Ann Ruderman - Parish Events
Eileen Schell – Administration
Dana Turner – Christian Formation - Adults
Georgianna Wheeler – Worship Russ McCoy – Treasurer
Others present:
Rodger Stroup - Clerk
Jeff Booker, New Vestry member

The Rector opened the meeting with the Gospel reading for Sunday from Luke followed by a prayer.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. McCoy reported the loan balance is \$344,420 and the special pink envelopes earmarked for the retiring the debt covered almost all of the principal payment. He indicated that we should end the year with a surplus of between \$28,000 and \$42,000 even after we cover several unanticipated expenses including the new roof on part of the Barr Center.

2010 Budget: Mr. McCoy presented the draft 2010 budget prepared by the Vestry Budget Committee. As drafted the budget reflects a \$23,000 deficit. The Vestry received the draft budget as information and the approval of the budget will occur at the January Vestry meeting.

Clergy Report: The Rector's Associate reported that training for the Lectors and Chalice Bearers was conducted in November. A second session will be held later for those who could not attend. The Rector reported he would be on a retreat for 3 days next

week (December 13th). The Rector reminded the Vestry that this Saturday is the election for the 8th Bishop of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina.

Warden's Report: No report

Ministry Team Reports: (copy attached)

Old Business:

Administration: The Rector reported that the Administration Team has researched the naming of the multipurpose room that was brought up at the last Vestry meeting. In reviewing previous Vestry deliberations, following recommendations from our capital campaign consultants, he discovered that previous Vestry action determined not to name specific rooms in memory of individuals. Mr. Burkett moved, seconded by Ms. Rambo, that the Vestry reaffirms the decision of previous Vestries not name rooms after individuals. The motion was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Turner moved, second by Ms. Schell that the minutes of the November meeting be approved as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business: Ms. Miller moved that they housing allowances presented by the Clergy be approved as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. McMillian and passed unanimously.

Executive Session: Ms. Turner moved, seconded by Mr. Cotter, that the Vestry move into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

Calendar Items:

December 20 – EYC Christmas Party

December 23 – Church Decorating

December 24 – Children's Pageant and Christmas Eve Services

January 6 – Feast of Lights

January 8-9 – EYC Ski Trip

January 22-23 – Vestry Retreat

Respectfully submitted,

Rodger E. Stroup
Clerk