

Fork Church Vestry Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2013

Those Present:

Court Warfield	Rick Alderman
Michael Woods	Ali Joy
John Rickman	James Palmer
Jenny Smith	John Rickman
Bill Wells	

1. The meeting opened with a prayer followed by the sharing of positive things at Fork in the past month – Bill’s sermon, the Godly Play children, and the overall vibe.
2. Bill had several announcements.
 - A. He received noticed that Bishop Gulick is coming to Fork November 10.
 - B. We need to confirm this year’s delegates. Boo Smythe is this year’s delegate. Court suggested we find an alternate.
 - C. Bill is happy to assist with anyone who would like to be confirmed, reaffirmed or received.
 - D. Until we get a Priest or an Interim, Bill offered to help with pastoral emergencies (he will see Ginny Turner this week). Bill will continue to be available to fill in as needed and available in 2014.
3. Michael gave a report of the October 11 meeting with Bishop Shannon.
 - A. The Bishop understood the gap in the compensation offered and the compensation sought by the candidate and acknowledged that such a miscommunication should not have happened.
 - B. The Bishop reiterated his support of Fork and will do what he can to reach out to other dioceses to expand the search.
 - C. The Bishop understands our need for an interim and will assist us in the search.
 - D. Ali Joy asked if there is a take-away for Fork Vestry or Search Committee in order to have more success in finding the next candidate.
 - E. Bill suggested that if 2014 arrives and there is no interim or candidate, he would be happy to put together a schedule with himself and a few other supply clergy to provide consistent and predictable support.
4. The minutes of the July 9 and September 24, 2013 meeting were approved as amended (added “If the amount exceed \$14,000, will utilize the Building and Grounds CD” to Section 5 B).
5. The September Financial Reports were reviewed and approved as written.

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6. Notice given that members need to attend Sexual Misconduct Prevention training. Schedule and registration instructions are available on Diocesan website.

7. Liaison Reports

- A. Finance

- Andie needs help responding to the government's query regarding Obamacare. Michael offered to assist Andie with Fork's response. Please reflect the previous Vestry vote to approve a budget of \$250 for Bill Wells' farewell party.
- Stewardship report: We have 18 pledges totaling \$37,000. Scott will make an announcement to that effect and will amp up the campaign. The deadline is October 31. Michael will ask if Andie would consider sending out pledge statements to facilitate pledging.
- William has awarded the copy contract to Copy Fax and it will be delivered soon.

- B. Mission – October 23 is St. James the Less volunteer dinner. October 27 is the bi-monthly Outreach dinner at St. James. Jenny suggested that we solicit prayers for those who are in need. Bill will compose a message for Jacque to include in the Tines and Bulletin.

- C. Communications – Bill showed us the Church Directory listing in the Herald and asked if we would consider being listed. John Rickman offered to find out the cost for our listing. Ali Joy indicated that she will order the Diocesan sign and has asked Lindsey Smythe to help with the Directory update.

- D. Buildings and Grounds

- Painting of Church building was done.
- We can get a rug to go over the section in the Foyer that is threadbare. If we want Jeff to look at sagging parts of the floor in Church, we need someone to meet him and point them out.
- Rick reported that he has scheduled to have the septic tank emptied.
- Terry Cave is working with Mike Thomas on the drainage issue at the back door.
- Court will call the electrician to assess the status of electricity to determine whether it needs to be dealt with urgently or could be schedule with the kitchen project.
- Rick offered to check the sink in the Church to address drainage.

- E. Search Committee – Rick reports that we have one candidate whose desired salary is not in line with our offer.

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- F. Parish Life – Saturday night is the Cave’s bonfire with Rick’s famous chili. We need to plan a reception for the Bishop on November 10.
 - G. Worship – with Bill Wells’ help supply clergy has been scheduled for every Sunday but Christmas Eve and December 29.
 - H. Kitchen Committee – Andie and Boo have been working on getting a quote from an architect and the Vestry will be kept posted.
8. New Business – offgoing Vestry members are successfully identifying candidates. Paul requested that we move the November Vestry meeting to the 12th.
 9. Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Ali Joy