

Vestry Minutes 10 January 2017

PRESENT: Gloria Mansfield, Senior Warden; Barbara, Junior Warden; Diana Leitgeb.

GUESTS: The Rev. Bruce MacDuffie, Robert Bowler (Beau).

CALL TO ORDER at 4:32 pm.

OPENING PRAYER: Beau

ITEMS WE NEED TO ACCEPT

Motion to accept the minutes from 12 December 2016 as written made by Barbara, seconded by Diana, approved.

ITEMS / REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- I. **Treasurer's / Bookkeeper's Report:** Pledge income is way down from 2015. The Wilks Fund value increased last month.
- II. **SCA-IRC:** The Hildegard of Bingen concert in December was surprisingly well attended, about 70 people. We need to make sure the closet door to the office is unlocked for a secondary egress. Sadelle Wiltshire's Zentangle classes have not been as well attended as they were.
- III. **Community Closet:** Nothing new.
- IV. **Buildings & Grounds:** We need a roof rake. Beau asked Ralph to purchase one, but it was returned because Charlie Mansfield is donating one.
- V. **Worship Committee:** It is time for another committee meeting.

ITEMS FOR ACTION / DISCUSSION (Old Business)

- I. **Musicians:** Two new musicians are starting this month, Amy Caan, violin, piano and organ, and Mary Cay Brass, accordion and piano. Judi Byron is continuing.
- II. **2017 Proposed Operating Budget:** *Motion to approve the 2017 proposed operating budget for vote at the annual meeting (including the reduction in our monthly distribution from the Wilks Fund from \$10,000 to \$9,500), made by Barbara, seconded by Diana, approved.*
- III. **Annual Meeting:** We will have a potluck this year because last year so few people attended. A platter is just too expensive. An announcement will be made in church Sunday.

IV. **Other:** *Tables:* We need more tables in Undercroft. Two have been broken. Beau will look into purchasing two more 12 foot tables.

(New Business)

I. **SCA-IRC Budget:** The proposed budget exceeds \$50,000 for the first time and is ambitious. **Motion** to approve the new operating budget for Stone Church Arts and Immanuel Retreat Center, made by Barbara, seconded by Diana, approved.

II. **Other:** 1) *Charlene Beaudry of Walpole ALS Fundraiser:* **Motion** to take \$100 from Community Closet fund and donate to this fundraiser, made by Barbara, seconded by Diana, approved. 2) *Annual Donations from Community Closet:* Give same amounts to the same organizations as last year. 3) *Third Monday Supper:* It may be in memory of Mary Haas, but the supper could happen anywhere. Barbara suggested moving it to Our Place because the attendance here has been too low over the last few months. 4) *Palms:* There are plenty of palms left in Sacristy. Perhaps spread ashes in cemetery on Ash Wednesday.

CLOSING PRAYER: Beau

ADJOURNED: 5:40 pm

NEXT MEETING: 14 February 2017

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Bowler