

St Andrew's Episcopal Church  
Greensboro, NC

Vestry Minutes  
Tuesday, January 17, 2017

Attendees: BJ Owens, George Platt, Mike Van Ormer, Barbara Lawless, Ashley Wigglesworth, Ken Massey, Carol Phillips, Susan Brannan, Scott Durham, Bob Mills, Susan Buck, and Karen Rierson.

**Formation:**

Opening devotional was given by George Platt.

BJ informed the vestry that Joe Graves resigned from the vestry and Susan Buck will replace him.

Minutes for December 13, 2016 and January 15, 2017 were presented by Karen Rierson. Ken made a motion to approve the minutes and Mike seconded. Motion approved.

**Skills Building:** BJ presented

- Reviewed the structure of the vestry meetings.
- More time needs to be allowed for discernment.
- Members of the vestry are disciples of Jesus.
- Vestry is a spiritual experience.

**Information:**

- Anyone that hasn't signed up for VPOM needs to do so tonight.
- Vestry POD assignments are as follows:
  - Children, Youth & Christian Formation-Barbara Lawless  
Carol Phillips  
Scott Durham
  - Mission/Outreach, Liturgy & Membership-Ken Massey  
Robin Bartlett  
Bob Mills
  - Parish Life, Pastoral Care & Stewardship-Charles Kappauf  
Susan Brannan  
Susan Buck
  - Facilities, Finance & Administration-George Platt(SW)  
Mike Van Ormer(JW)  
Ashley Wigglesworth
- VPOM is responsible for the opening and closing of the vestry meeting in which they are VPOM.
- Skill Building will be done if there is time

#### POD information and updates:

- Facilities, Finance & Administration: Mike gave the Junior Warden's report for December. Grant's Landscaping has replaced all of the dead shrubs. Brandon's Gutter has cleaned all gutters and downspouts. Expicor has repaired and pained the cracks in the rear hallway walls and the ceiling b the bathroom. The will also be repairing the ceiling in the Sanctuary and the cracks in that rear wall. Chris Little, plumber, has cleaned out the grease trap. Duke Energy replaced a pole light bulb in the parking lot. Energy Mizer serviced the large dishwasher in the kitchen. They replaced an electrical contactor in water heater, repaired a leak in the soap line and new chemicals that were needed. Bishop candidates will visit St. Andrew's Thursday, February 16. There will be a panel discussion from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary.
- Parish Life, Pastoral Care & Stewardship: BJ announced that Pat Stultz has resigned as CareNet Coordinator. We will need a replacement.
- Mission/Outreach, Liturgy & Membership: Ken reported that the Newcomer Ministry was going well. Ken is going to call Tim Fleming to see if he wants to continue working on the electronic picture directory.
- Children, Youth & Christian Formation: Barbara reported that the job description for the Children's & Youth Coordinator is complete. The vision statement will be at the bottom of the job description. The job description will be put on the website. Dania Ermentrout is replacing Lori Kaley and Jennifer Jones as Children's Support chair. Mike suggested that we recognize Lorin and Jennifer for the work they have done.

Vestry retreat will be February 10-11 at Guilford Park Presbyterian Church. February 10 will be from 6 pm to 9 pm and February 11 will be from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

#### **Discussion:**

- BJ ask the vestry to send a link to the survey to all in the parish that you know and ask them to complete the survey.
- BJ discussed the role of the vestry. There are three main roles: take care of finances; take care of facilities and assign leadership. It is critical for the POD system to really work to build community. The goal is to invite as many as you can to get involved.
- Jubilee is the season to take a break from church work if you need to do so.

#### **Decision:**

- Ken made a motion to approve \$30,000 of the Rev. Bernard J. Owens' salary be allocated for housing allowance. Carol seconded. Motion approved.

John Frizzell provided and reviewed the treasurer's report. George made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Mike seconded. Motion approved.

Closing payer was given by George.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen S. Rierson, Clerk

