

MINUTES
St. Barnabas Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting at Fr. L.D.'s home
May 11, 2010

ATTENDANCE:

Attended: Fr. L. D. Wood-Hull, Ken Ross (Sr. Warden), Emile Lemoine, Eva Calcagno, Janet Hummel and Julie Egan. Excused absence: Sandy Hunnicutt (Jr. Warden), Leslie Coefield.

The meeting was called to order by Fr. L.D. Wood-Hull at 6:45 p.m.

An opening prayer was given by Fr. L.D. and the meeting was turned over to Sr. Warden Ken Ross, who gave a Spiritual Thought for the day from <http://thoughtsaday.blogspot.com>.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:

Prior meeting minutes from April 13, 2010 were presented. No corrections were noted. A motion was made by Janet and seconded by Julie to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The Christian group, Missio has used Grafe Hall on a Sunday evenings, once a month for the past two months, and donated \$140 each month. They have requested in writing to use Grafe Hall once a month for the next two years. After discussion regarding our revisions in progress for our facilities use policies, we are currently unable to give them a written commitment to their requested time.
 - A motion was made by Eva, and seconded by Ken, to allow Missio to use Grafe Hall on Sunday evenings on a discretionary basis, to be arranged by the St. Barnabas rector. The motion passed.
2. Strategic Plan Implementation: Fr. L.D. will make an announcement to the congregation about the startup of the implementation groups, and encourage involvement in the groups, led by the following vestry members:
 - i. The Sunday Experience – Sandy and Eva
 - ii. Spiritual Growth – Julie and Janet
 - iii. Financial Sustainability – Ken, Emile, Sandy and Eva
 - iv. Signature Ministry – Leslie

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request to withdraw \$5,000 from the Endowment Fund.
 - A motion was made by Janet, and seconded by Julie, to withdraw \$5,000 from the Endowment Fund for receipt in June. The motion passed.

REPORTS:

Rector's Report:

1. Sunday attendance is up, with an average of 79 people per week, this year to-date. The average weekly Sunday attendance during 2009 was an average of 66 people.
2. Leslie will be retiring from leading Sunday School, starting next year. The parish will be asked to step up to volunteer to help plan and power a new Sunday School direction.
3. The new Bishop will be visiting St. Barnabas the evening of June 1st for a business meeting with the Vestry.

Treasurer's Report:

1. The Postulate's Fund was created over 40 years ago, to support people going to seminary has \$4700. It is an unrestricted and controlled by the Vestry. Since the fund has not been used in anyone's recent memory, Ken will move it into the Endowment Fund for bookkeeping simplicity.
 - A motion was made by Janet, and seconded by Julie, to move the Postulate's Fund into the Endowment Fund. The motion passed.

There were no other reports at this time.

RECTOR'S CLOSING REMARKS & PRAYER: L. D. led us in The Lord's Prayer.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Hummel
Clerk