

Present: Linda Bourque, Sandy DePlonty, Ruth Neveu, Gin Mannisto, Cal Woodard, Bruce Lynn

Absent: Steve Stiling, Johny Stephens

1. Opening Prayers: Meeting was called to order at 11:15 am. Gin Mannisto opened with a prayer.
2. Review Agenda: No additions or deletions to the agenda
3. Public Comment: None
4. Ministry Support Team
 - A. Gin verified that we had the conversation about the Gospel book purchase at our last meeting. Pam found the one we have now and it is from 1980, so we need the updated 1994 version. Motion made by Sandy DePlonty to purchase the requested version of the gospel book with a 2nd by Ruth Neveu. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried. Suggestion was to take this out of the Miscellaneous line item in the budget if there is not another more appropriate place.
 - B. Gin brought an example of what another church in the diocese uses (a plastic holder) to hold real candles for the Christmas Eve service. The vestry would like to look at purchasing these for future years and still use real candles.
 - C. The Ministry Support Team meets every other Thursday and has still been meeting via Zoom.
5. Review/Approval of Vestry Minutes December 19, 2021 – Linda noted that it was Pat’s Lock and Key, in the prior minutes not Larry’s Lock and Key. **Motion to approve the December meeting minutes with the above change made by Bruce Lynn with a second by Cal Woodard. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**
6. Treasurer’s / Endowment
 - A. 2022 Budget
 - Discussion held regarding budget. Question on why we kept special plate offerings at the same value when the actual was much lower. The thought was if we were to get back to a “normal” where people are more comfortable with in person gatherings it might go up. If this line item remains down, we will look at decreasing it in the 2023 budget.
 - **Motion to approve the budget made by Linda Bourque with a 2nd by Bruce Lynn. No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.**
 - B. Treasurer’s report placed on file
7. Committee Reports
 - A. Christian Education
 - Susan sent a message out that there will be a book study discussion held on Thursdays at 4pm via Zoom. Gin will forward Susan’s email to the rest of the congregation for any one that may be interested.
 - B. ECW Report – None
 - C. Outreach - Ruth got some policies and forms from another church for us to review at the next vestry meeting to see if we would like to adopt something like this for our church (policy, indemnity and request form). Thought this could also meet some of our Outreach in allowing the community to use the building. If all could review and come back with some suggestions for the next meeting, Ruth would appreciate that. Cal said we should check the church’s insurance policy

to also see if we have some type of liability coverage in our policy as well. Cal will look into this and pass it along to Ruth.

8. Senior Warden's Report:

A. Annual Meeting Date Change: Even before we had staff out with illness, Ruth thought it might be a good idea to change the annual meeting date to allow more participation from the congregation. This would allow snow birds to participate as well. **Motion made to move the annual meeting date to the 3rd Sunday in May (May 15th) by Sandy DePlonty with a 2nd by Cal Woodard. No oppositions or abstentions, motion carried.**

B. Ruth Neveu will let everyone know about this change by email or phone so this is not a surprise to anyone.

9. Junior Warden's Report: All Christmas decorations taken care of. Have not had any time to look into the emergency lighting in the church yet. Cal will be investigating this to see if why we did not have any lights on Christmas Eve when the lights went out.

10. **Old Business**

A. New Vestry Members (two needed)

B. Ruth has talked to a couple of people and so far only has a commitment from one person

C. Due to the change of the annual meeting date, current vestry members will need to remain on the vestry until the rescheduled annual meeting vote.

D. Question was asked if we have a policy that members of the MST should not be vestry members. The group said as far as we know, it is not a policy but a feeling that it is better to keep the two groups separate if we have enough members willing to serve in both capacities to have some check and balances.

11. **New Business**

A. Next Vestry Meeting – Sunday, February 20, 2022 – 11 a.m.

B. Annual Meeting – Sunday, May 15, 2022 – 11 a.m. (Reports Needed by April 30)

12. Adjournment and Closing Prayers

A. Motion to adjourn made by Bruce Lynn with a second by Linda Bourque . No opposition or abstentions, motion carried.

B. Meeting adjourned at 12:03pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Sandra DePlonty
Treasurer