

St. Paul's, Ivy

Vestry Meeting

July 14, 2009

Present: The Rev. William P. Peyton, Associate Rector; Victor M. Dandridge, Jr., Treasurer; George Barlow, Senior Warden; Bob Pate, Junior Warden; Dean Dass; Cary Kast, Register; Mary Leavell; Tom Payne; Bruce Sullivan; Steve Thornton; Tony von Thelen; and Luke Wright.

Absent: The Rev. Miller Hunter; Ann Claiborne Dandridge; and Lisa Keeler

1. **Opening:** Will Peyton opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. **Minutes from the June meeting not being ready on time will be sent later and adopted at the next vestry meeting.**
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Vic reported that we are in the usual slow revenue period, approximately \$3,000 below last year in our pledge and plate offerings. Our investment funds are down about 18% which is still better than the S&P average. Treasurer's report was adopted.

Old Business

4. **Photo Directory:** Several members spoke to the fact that this had not been on a vestry agenda or discussed before announcements of Olan Mills was announced in the church bulletin. We had discussed looking into creating a photo directory in house but both Tony and Bruce who volunteered to check into it had not gotten very far in planning. Several members were concerned that this lack of vestry participation could be symptomatic of broader management issues. Several members also wondered if Olan Mills would produce an analog or digital directory and would we be able to get the digital files from Olan Mills if it was the latter. If we actually had the files it would enable us to update a pictorial directory in house in future. After further discussion it was recommended that we contact Olan Mills to determine whether we could obtain the digital files and approved using Olan Mills with two abstentions.
5. **Committee Reports:** Cricket reported that the Vestry Nominations committee would be meeting in early August. The Stewardship Ad Hoc committee has met and will continue to work through the summer. The Mount Cavalry committee had not met but would in August. Mary Leavell reported that the Mount Cavalry church building would be complete in September. The Children's Formation committee was commended for the success of the Summer Sunday program.
6. **Tables at vestry meetings:** There was a general discussion about providing tables for members during the meetings to add to the formality of proceedings. After a general discussion it was agreed to consider that at a later meeting.

New Business

- 7. Garden Club:** Cricket reported that the Garden Club had requested that they be able to provide lunches during Garden Week from St. Paul's, Ivy. Garden Week this year is April 18 and 19, Saturday and Sunday. Celia Ochs had organized lunches in the past and it had created a profit for St. Paul's of approximately \$1500. However several vestry members were concerned about the conflict with Sunday services and it was decided to tell the Garden Club we were not interested this year.
- 8. Posting of Vestry Minutes on website:** After a general discussion it was agreed to do a summary of the minutes on the website following their adoption. It was suggested that we should check with the office staff to determine how the summary would be handled. Motion was passed.
- 9. Train Charitable Trust:** Cricket explained this was a trust established by Kirk Train's mother and our portion would be approximately \$60,000. The Stewardship Ad Hoc committee will be discussing where to place the money.
- 10. Youth Vestry member:** Bruce Sullivan had e-mailed a report to the other members what he had found out from Parish Ball of the Diocese Youth Ministry on how other churches have handled youth vestry members. After discussion the Vestry decided to study the issue more as well as have Will talk to SPISH members and have a decision by October.
- 11. Accountant Audit:** Cricket reported that the accountant said the books looked fine and the Diocesan report had been completed. He also said that Kirk Train had decided that Gaston & Wyatt had the lowest price on the moveable altar so it has been ordered.
- 12. Roof:** Cricket reported that Kirk Train has met with Lynch and Martin Roofing. He will report at the September vestry meeting on prices.
- 13. Mens Group:** Tom told the vestry that Shrinemont staff are still talking about the "portable Lowes" which arrived with the St. Paul's, Ivy mens group.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cary Kast