

St. Paul's, Ivy  
September Vestry Meeting  
9/13/ 2011

7:30 PM

Present: The Rev. John Seville (Interim Rector), Vic Dandridge (Treasurer), Denise Foster (Junior Warden), Bruce Sullivan (Senior Warden), Carol Vernon, Mary Leavell (Register), Luke Wright, David Wood, David Cooke, Bill Achenbach, Paxson MacDonald, Heather Dickey, Meg Janucik, Arthur Halliday (Youth Representative); present for special report- Audi Barlow; Absent- Nicole Betts,

1. Opening Prayer: John Seville opens with a prayer.
2. Reading of Minutes of August 2011 Meeting: Minutes approved unanimously
3. Rector's Update- (a) John thanks Greg and Paxson MacDonald and the Commins family, who helped greatly with the picnic/Homecoming last Sunday. (b) Rector is gathering information on our church's various committees. This is intended to help the incoming Rector to understand the structure of the church. (c) Also, Paxson MacDonald has agreed to look at procedures of the Caring Committee to see if we can serve our parishoners better (d) Two local music groups have asked to use the space at St. Paul's, but we have withheld permission for that so far. (e) Bob Pate is chairing informational task force with Debbie Weaver, Ed Russell and Bonna Lewis. Carol Vernon is inventorying our facilities and putting together an operational manual. (e) Communication from the Diocese regarding renouncing a minister from his duties is presented.
4. Treasurer's Report
  - A. Update on Budget- Vic Dandridge reports that collections were slow in August. All is moving along smoothly. We have taken in \$12,000 more than spent here to date. Painting is underway. Generally, we have less income this year than previously. Signature cards are now complete for banking purposes and Denise Foster has been added for ability to sign checks. Treasurer's report is accepted.
5. Old Business-
  - A. Rector Search Committee (Bill Achenbach)- Rector search committee feels that they have a good pool of candidates. A total of 53 candidates applied for the position. First round of screening reduced the pool to roughly 30 candidates who might have a fit with SPI. Subsequent telephone and Skype interviews have further reduced the pool to 20 candidates. Follow up interviews are being conducted, including several local visits. Bishop's office has recommended one candidate (normal procedure) and nominated one candidate (personal interview requested). Committee feels that we have several strong candidates. Timetable continues to be to recommend a candidate to the vestry for call by the end of the year.
  - B. Property (Bruce Sullivan) - Kirk Train update on painting project is positive and last phase of exterior work will include windows in Parish Hall. Roof on Parish Hall has approx. 5 years left. Heather is investigating scatter garden as part of a garden master plan. There is consideration regarding new fencing for play yard. Alexander Nicholson is pricing hardi

plank for siding on Kirklea. Discussion regarding getting more than one quote for work done.

- C. Vestry Elections- Bruce indicates that process is beginning. Annual Meeting is in November. Format is to nominate a slate of 4 for 4 spots.
- D. Vic notes that we are hiring a new group in Waynesboro to perform an audit for us and he feels cpa audit is best.

#### New Business

- a. Stewardship- no report from Bill Achenbach. No chair yet for stewardship annual fund.
  - b. Report on Youth Formation (Audi Barlow)- Audi reports on youth education and her role as Formation Leader. We had average of 5 each Sunday for Nursery. Godly Play involves 6 teachers and approx. 11 children. Spirit Movers rotates the children through bible story study. She emphasizes that our attendance in this group averages 13. Rite 13 is based on helping children move into adulthood. Three teachers. High School Group celebrates time of transition and worships. Treasure Time also added during the 10:30 AM service. Summer service for children is growing in numbers. Report on other children's curriculum and adult and family Christian education and programs. Audi notes that we need new playground structures, fencing or landscaping and consideration of trimming of large magnolia. Need for lighting for exterior of Church grounds and replacement of fire doors into children's education rooms with doors with windows.
  - c. A report on Adult Formation from Luke Wright. Average attendance is 25-45, depending on attraction of speaker. The current budget is \$ 2,000 and the committee requests an additional \$ 1,500 for a total of \$ 3,500 for the year. Motion to add this amount to the current year's budget is approved by the vestry.
  - d. Additional Items- Beth Wharton notes that morning service at 8:30 AM is very cold in the church. Vic offers to try working with the vents and temperature.
6. Additional Items- Move to adjourn passes. Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted, Mary H Leavell, register 9/13/2011.