

**The Church of the Epiphany
Vestry Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date: November 13, 2007**

The meeting opened at 7 PM with a devotional and prayer time, followed by the vestry prayer.

Vestry Members Attendance: Present (P), Excused (E)

Black, Murray	P	Pantzer, Larry	P
Cummings, Ross	P	Reed, David	E
Gregg, Ted	P	Reiter, Scott	P
Holmes, Kevin	P	Stromberg, Margaret	P
Morris, Ralph	P	Ticer, John	E
Oliphant, Mark	E	Welch, Jan	P

Also present: Father Robin, Father Luke, Ken Bracy, Gin Edmunds, Lisa Ellis, Steve Mentzer, and Charlie Monroe.

Reports and Old Business:

1. Guest Report – Ken Bracy

Our bylaws require members to take a membership class to become voting members. This has proven difficult due to conflicts in everyone's schedules. Several alternatives are under discussion, but this should be removed from the bylaws. Ted moved, and Larry seconded a motion to strike the requirement for members to attend and complete a membership class (Article III.C.a.1) and to revisit the entire issue of membership by a group designated by the vestry. This motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

2. Minutes – Larry.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as written by unanimous voice vote on a motion by Margaret, seconded by Jan.

3. Rector Report – Robin.

Every vestry member (new and old) will get a mailbox. We should call Anne Bracy tomorrow and let her know our assignments. We each will also get a vestry binder.

4. Associate Rector Report – Luke.

During the weekend of February 8-10 2008 we will host a conference led by Michael Green. It will include workshops on how to do evangelism. He will preach on Sunday, February 10.

Luke has some concerns about the Lenten Series going forward. We plan to hold it on Sunday evenings this coming year, with a light dinner. It will be the Gibson play, "Enemy of the People," done on four Sundays. Luke requests that the Leadership promote and attend it. Ted noted that we need to evangelize the "edge people" in the congregation.

5. Warden Report – Murray and Ralph.

Murray passed around a letter from Bishop Robert Duncan of the ACN, asking what our plans of support might be.

6. Treasurer and Finance Committee Report – Scott.

Scott distributed and discussed the "Financial Report to Congregation" that was given to the parish meeting on Sunday, November 11. We are in a serious, but not dire, financial position. The report was approved by unanimous voice vote on a motion by Margaret, seconded by Ross.

New Business

7. Vestry Commissions.

We began with a discussion of preferences. Bill Fetzer previously expressed interest in Outreach, Fellowship, and Buildings & Grounds. Scott agreed to help the new Finance commissioner. Jan would like to move from Fellowship. She suggested that we consider Growth and Evangelism as a new commission. Ross noted that Patrick does a great job of Building & Grounds on his own! Lisa would like to do Special Projects rather than maintain a commission.

We concluded the following during the course of discussion:

- Outreach: Missions, **Jan**; Local, **Larry**
- Fellowship: **John, Bill**
- Worship: **Ross**
- Ministry: **Steve**
- Teaching: **Kevin**
- Building & Grounds: **Ross, Gin**
- Finance: Can be handled by the Treasurer and the Wardens
- Administration & Communications: Chancellor, **Dave**; rest, **John**
- (New) Evangelism/(Spiritual) Growth: **Gin**
 - Growth Task Force
- (New) Special Projects: **Lisa**

8. Delegates – Murray.

Delegates for the CANA Convention are Chad Krukowski, Steve Mentzer, and Mark Oliphant. Alternates are Jan Welch, Sally McNeely, and Larry Pantzer.

9. CANA Convention – Margaret.

We are working with the other ADV churches to provide logistical support for the CANA Convention. It will be a big deal for us, nonetheless.

10. Parliamentarian – Murray.

Murray suggested that we name Ken Bracy our official Parliamentarian. Ted so moved, seconded by Jan, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM by unanimous consent to a motion by Ted, seconded by Kevin, and was followed by an Agape feast.

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