

Calvary Episcopal Church
Vestry Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2012
Crook Auditorium

Vestry Present: Gary Wilson, John Pruett, Sam Cole, Jerry Stiles, Brett Norman, Charles Shipp, Hall Gardner, Bob O'Connor, Clay Woemmel, Desi Franklin, Alex Wise, and Dana Sue Percer.

Vestry Absent: Lucia Crenshaw, Rose Johnston, and Drew Smith.

Others Present: Reverend Philip Wiehe, Reverend Ben Robertson, Reverend Eyleen Farmer, Peg Wahl, Cap Pinkham, Brenda Johnson, Andrew Moore and Hilary Chipley.

Call to Order: Rev. Philip Wiehe called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Opening Prayer and Bible Study: Alex Wise

Minutes: The February 4, 2012 minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Peg Wahl presented the treasurer's report. The report was approved. Discussion was held on the importance of marketing Calvary and the Lenten Preaching Series. Bob O'Connor, Laura Trott and Robyn Mauldin will look into how to best spend Calvary's marketing dollars.

Update on Family, Children and Youth: Rev. Ben Robertson gave a brief summary on the consultant's report and plans to implement the findings (see Children's and Youth Ministry Proposal). Following discussion, the vestry recommended that one person be liaison with the consultants. Andrew Moore reported on steps being taken to improve the nursery. A supervisor will be at the nursery door to welcome parents and children. There has been staff turnover in the nursery and more is expected. The Vestry requested a list of all departing staff, with dates. The goal is to better visualize the magnitude of the turnover in 2012. We might want to address how this will affect the remaining staff and the congregation, and develop initiatives to make the best of the situation.

Buildings and Grounds – Tower Report: John Pruett reported that Rev. Wiehe signed a contract last week with Structural Waterproofing and Restoration, LLC to repair the tower for \$464,000. The work will start around March 15 and should be finished by mid July. The front door of the church will be in use during the repairs. The present scaffolding will be removed and other more suitable scaffolding erected.

Interim Rector's Report: Rev. Philip Wiehe reported the following items:

- A draft of the fundraising brochure for the bell tower capital campaign was presented. The Vestry is to review the brochure and respond with suggestions within the next 48 hours to Philip via Basecamp. There was some discussion regarding Vestry approval of the component parts of the campaign. These items were approved at the December 13, 2011 Vestry meeting. Discussion will continue regarding the brochure and the capital campaign. The campaign leadership team includes Jeff Kitterman as chair with Gary Wilson, Alex Wise, Cap Pinkam, and Rev. Philip Wiehe.
- The Waffle Shop Committee is working well.
- The Icon Art Exhibit will open April 15-June 24. There will be a Gala Opening Event on April 14.
- The Sunday worship schedule change has been finalized and will begin after Easter. The staff has planned programs until mid July and scheduled special events until after Labor Day.
- Hilary Chipley from the Rector Search Committee reported that 92 invitational letters had been sent to prospective candidates. 21 applications had been received and given a basic approval from Chip Davis. The search committee has specific criteria based on the parish profile and has classified these candidates as: red- no further information needed (10), yellow- further information needed (6), and green- very interested (5).

Senior Warden's Report: Gary Wilson announced Vestry liaison assignments with parish ministries, see Basecamp. In an effort to get the Vestry minutes posted earlier, the following procedure will be implemented. The Clerk will submit the minutes to Rev. Ben Robertson who will post them on Basecamp allowing 72 hours for additions, corrections, and approval, or 48 hours for an electronic vote. Following this, he will post them on the Calvary web site and bulletin board. The April Vestry meeting will be held on the fifth Sunday during the brunch at the church.

Other Announcements: Rev. Ben Robertson announced that the Parish Retreat will be October 26-28 at Camp McDowell. Rev. Eyleen Farmer reported that 26 people attended a Pastoral Care training session with Lee Ramsey, Rev. Bill Kolb, and herself. Alex Wise reported that the Stewardship Committee is completing the list for the tower capital campaign. The Covenant between the Vestry and Staff needs more work and the committee working on this will incorporate suggestions from both the Vestry and Staff. The tentative date for Rev. Philip Wiehe's last Sunday will be August 5 when the restored tower will be dedicated. The Interim Organist Search Team includes Allison Cates, Brad

Kroeker, Sam Cole, Susan Love, and Rev. Ben Robertson. The plan is to have an Interim Organist by July 1, 2012.

Adjournment: Rev. Philip Wiehe adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucia Crenshaw, Clerk, from notes taken by Dana Sue Percer