

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
San Francisco, CA
Vestry Minutes
May 19, 2010

Present: The Rev. Tommy Dillon, Patricia Brown, Rolando Casella, Jenny Moss, Susan Spencer, Edith Wells, Ray Wong, David Frangquist (Treasurer).

Absent: Grace King, Christine Powell, Sarah Glover, Lois Roach (Clerk).

The meeting began at 7:35 p.m. with bible study on John 21:16-17 led by the rector. Following bible study, the vestry committees met separately. The meeting then resumed. Written reports were received from the assistant pastor and deacon.

I. Rector's Report

Tommy has been meeting with the Vocations Committee and his sabbatical planning committee, and they plan to release a letter to the congregation soon.

He has been meeting with a committee at the diocese that is reviewing the assessment policy.

A celebration of Aidan's Way marking the end of that program is scheduled for June 6. There are plans in the works for a summer bible camp July 19-23. We have applied to the Glen Park Association for a \$1000 grant. The camp will be advertised to Aidan's Way parents and in local housing.

II. Administration Committee

Ray Wong reported for the Administration Committee.

The committee met Monday, May 17.

The committee reviewed the treasurer's report. Copies were distributed to all vestry mailboxes. The committee requested that the treasurer include a summary of trends in future reports. There is a shortfall in pledge payments amounting to about \$8,000. There was also a significant increase in gas costs on the last P. G. & E. bill.

The committee did a general review of finances. It discussed methods of following up with those members who are behind in pledges, and agreed that the approach should be low key.

The budget for the last half of the year will need to be adjusted to reflect the closing of Aidan's Way.

The committee will also be working on a mutual ministry review process with the rector.

A committee meeting is scheduled for June 1. Paul Nocero will be invited to discuss pledge accounting.

III. Property Committee

Jenny Moss reported for the Property Committee.

She has met with Sheri and Robert Geesey so they could pass on their knowledge. She is collecting phone numbers and key contacts for property-related matters. She will be assembling that information in a notebook which can then be passed on to those needing to deal with property issues.

She has talked with Sheri regarding the heat and the increased gas costs. The thermostat is programmable, and will be checked to see that it is set to low but comfortable levels and for appropriate times.

The committee is investigating the possible replacement of the outside sign.

The key policy is being reviewed. Patricia is currently the keeper of keys.

The R & R committee is moving ahead on the termite inspection.

Jenny and Tommy are looking into meeting with the Noe Valley Ministry to see if St. Aidan's can address space needs for any of their groups while NVM is undergoing renovation.

IV. Ministry Committee

Tommy Dillon and Susan Spencer reported for the Ministry Committee.

The committee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the following allocations be made from the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Fund: Cristosal \$1,000; Rainbow World Fund \$300; Barry Anderson's El Salvador project \$300. MSP

(Note: The treasurer reported that the Men's Group has agreed to add \$200 from its funds to Barry's project.) Susan Spencer will be surveying the parish on what might make worship more accessible for seniors. We may apply to the Darby Betts Fund to fund technology that might be needed for this effort. The committee asked for vestry support for this initiative.

Resolved, that the vestry endorses the effort by Susan Spencer to apply for a grant and to generate a survey to identify gaps in providing quality worship services for seniors. MSP

A tutorial will be prepared on the use of the lift.

The committee is working on a parish event to assist members in planning for end-of-life care. It was agreed that a will-writing workshop should be included in the planning.

The rector will meet with Deborah and Dave Frangquist to work on methods for effectively incorporating newcomers into our community.

The work on the documentary video is proceeding. A date needs to be set for a celebration of St. Aidan's history and the unveiling of the documentary.

Tommy Dillon, David Stickleby, Patricia Brown, and Susan Spencer will attend an emerging church conference in Portland, OR June 10-12 titled "Episcopal Village." They will handle their own plane fare, but the committee requests funding for other expenses.

Resolved, that up to \$500 be allocated from the Memorial Fund for hotel and car expenses for the "Episcopal Village" conference in Portland, June 10-12, 2010. MSP

The committee estimates that \$5,000 in additional funding will be needed for new ministry initiatives in the coming year. Some possibilities include a grant from the Darby Betts funds and sponsorships for the food pantry. Sponsorships would be solicited from outside the parish. The objective is to find 12 sponsors at \$400 per month each.

V. Minutes

Approval of the April minutes was deferred until June due to the absence of the clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Frangquist
Acting Clerk