

Bishop's Committee Meeting

Faith Episcopal Church Poulsbo

March 18, 2018

Present: Debra Hurd, Louise Kernaghan, Kevin Mace, Rev Laura Murray, Fred Pomerantz, Brenda Toth,
Guests: Diane Foster, Ed Skinner

Regrets: Annamarie Lavieri

Deb called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m. The meeting opened with a prayer.

Brenda Toth made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Kevin Mace seconded and the motion was unanimously passed.

Property and Maintenance (Ed Skinner)

The Diocese has made payment for the deposit of the roof repair, currently scheduled for July 2. The balance must be raised by Faith Church and/or withdrawn from the DIF. We need to do preparatory work for the plumbing repair including location of lines and removing shrubbery; however, the digging and plumbing work will be postponed. The estimate for that work was \$2,670.25 plus tax. Additionally, the lights in the parking lot will need to be replaced or upgraded in the near future. One bid has been obtained from Bemore (spelling?) for \$1,441.24. Two suggestions were made: that Ed make a comprehensive list of all projects that might need to be done in the near future and that we inquire of the Diocese if grant money might be available for such projects.

Financial and Banking Committee Reports

The Financial reports from Carole Milton for February were approved, with notations from Louise that there were a few minor errors that do not affect the overall picture.

Deb made a motion to accept the financials, seconded by Fred, and the motion was passed.

For the purpose of switching Faith's banking accounts from Bank of America to Columbia bank, Louise made the following motion:

That we switch from Bank of America to Columbia Bank, that we open three accounts: one for Operations, one for restricted funds, one for the Rector's discretionary fund; that the signers be Barb Fox (Diocesan treasurer), Debra Hurd (senior warden), Rev. Laura Murray (vicar), Louise Kernaghan (treasurer for Faith), and Brenda Toth (bishop's committee member); that there be electronic access by Louise Kernaghan and Carole Milton (bookkeeper), and that we acquire a stamp for deposits with the name of Columbia Bank.

The motion was seconded by Kevin and passed.

New Business

Holy week schedules/thoughts

Maundy Thursday: 6 p.m. service of foot washing and Eucharist, followed by agape dinner

Good Friday: quiet meditation from noon until 3 p.m., service at 6 p.m. (no communion.) Saturday Easter vigil beginning at 8 p.m. (preparing the church in the morning at 10 a.m.)

Easter Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. followed by brunch.

Auditor

Jim Aurand was approved to audit Faith's financial records for 2017 on a motion by Brenda, seconded by Fred, and passed.

Dennis Tierney and financials

Mr. Tierney is available to speak and advise the Finance subcommittee and others who are interested about current methods and protocols in the Diocese of Olympia, a date to be set in the near future.

Calendar

The Faith calendar has been posted in the conference room and also is on the website. We need to set dates to work on revising the current bylaws, beginning with the changes proposed at the annual meeting. Two formal Parish meetings are required in order to approve the new bylaws. The church picnic was suggested for the first meeting. There is a Diocesan meeting at Fort Warden October 1-5. We need to work on fund raising activities. We need to appoint members to a Parrish Life Committee and are seeking someone to chair the committee.

Old Business

Nursery Update

Kevin has acquired a futon, rocking chair and some toys. He has also priced a changing table at Wal-Mart for \$62. and a child safe infrared heater for \$198. Diane has priced carpet at about \$816 including installation. (Additional bids are required before approval and purchase of carpet.)

Deb made a motion that up to \$1000 be used from the Godly Play Fund, and that additional moneys be raised in the name of Sylvia Palmer Nursery and Children's formation fund. The motion was seconded by Fred and approved.

Vicar's Report

A rotating Vestry "person of the month" will be appointed, responsible for praying at meetings and locking up, as necessary, also writing thank yous to "people for whom we are grateful (Deb, not sure; did the same person do this?) Deb volunteered to be that person for April. Laura will be away from April 16-23 and will obtain a supply priest for April 22. The letter of agreement has been submitted to the Diocese. Bishop Rickel will preside at the Celebration of New and Mutual Ministry on April 25 at 6:30. Laura has interviewed for the position of Canon for Youth and Young adults which would supplement her Vicar's position. She has also been asked to apply for the Seattle Service Corps program director position. She has started to work on the Parochial report. She requested that B.C. members acknowledge all emails.

Senior Warden's Report

Unity

Unity North Kitsap has begun moving in and holding services. They are willing to join in on fund raisers and to assist in repairs and other church projects.

New Office

The church office has been moved from the (future)Nursery area to the second floor of the Hall and is almost complete. The Minutes of the B.C. will be kept in the Library, available to the parish members for their review.

Junior Warden's Report

We need to set up a file for the Facility, including maintenance records, repairs, bids, etc. Fred is looking into a sound system for the church, the cost to be shared by the Unity congregation.

The meeting was closed with prayer and adjourned at 12:55. p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Kernaghan

Acting clerk