

**Bishop's Committee Meeting
August 1, 2019**

Check-In
Opening Prayer

Approval of minutes for Audit Review: Deb made a motion to pass the Audit Review meeting minutes, Brenda seconded. Pass unanimously.

Review of Financials: Discussion of parking lot lights and electric bill. These lights are contributing significantly to the electric bill and we are turning these lights off for the summer. In winter we will have the lights on a timer to limit the time they are on. Diane made a motion to accept the financials, Gary seconded. Pass unanimously.

Old Business

Signage Update: Laura investigated permitting, zoning and signage options for the church. She will be reaching to various sign companies to get ideas and estimates.

Directory Update: Laura reports that Raymond sent her a copy of the “boiler plate” for the directory. Laura and George will review and make edits.

Parish Lighting Issues: Fred reports that he wants to find a lighting contractor to make recommendations.

Community Garden update: Laura reports that Sally left the church \$1,000 for the garden. Laura has reached out to Brian and Paul about starting to plan the garden for next spring. We need to think about what we want and how it will be managed.

New Business

Taco Truck & Goodwill: Manuel approached us about parking his taco truck on church property. Manuel is also interested in buying the east portion of the property. Dennis Tierney said that diocese isn't interested in selling the property, but we could still lease the property. Whatever area we lease would convert to being taxable. We could also offer to allow Manuel to move the taco truck for specific events (i.e. Viking Fest) to keep within the 15-day limit to protect our non-profit status. George made a motion to not offer Manuel fulltime use of the parking but to offer him periodic use of the parking lot to keep under the 15-day limit. Deb seconded. Passed unanimously.

Goodwill is requesting to put a large collection container on church property. All agreed that we do not want a Goodwill collection box on site.

Update on Unity and non-profit status: Dennis Tierney told Laura that Unity's activities don't affect our 15 day limit on for profit activities. Discussion of why Unity's activities don't affect Faith's non-profit status ensued.

Stewardship Committee: Discussion of parish members who could serve on the Stewardship Committee. Laura suggested Joe or Tom Roberts, Bob Hodges, Laurie James, and Jessie Batstone.

2020 Bishop's visit: Laura spoke with the diocese regarding when the Bishop might be visiting Faith. Dates offered are March 15, May 10th, and July 12th. Committee liked the idea of a spring date for the Bishop's visit. Also discussed having the Bishop visit on Pentecost. Laura will follow up with the diocese.

Playset renovation: Fred is exploring replacing the slide on the playset. Deb has a connection and will see what it would cost. We also discussed replacing the swing seat (Deb will ask about that as well).

BBQ on Sunday: Deb will provide hot dogs, Jean will provide condiments, Gary will bring hamburger patties, Fred will provide buns, Brenda will bring a cook, Laura will provide cheese, lettuce, pickles and tomatoes.

Ministry Team Updates:

Worship: We discussed preferences in liturgies and the Edward's House Blessing August 10th.

Liturgy: Laura discussed the liturgy brunch on September 8th. The committee discussed different options for liturgy including doing a Rite I service when Howard is gone. Enriching our Worship is another option. Jean suggested Rite I for all of Lent. This Sunday we will do Enriching Our Worship, the following Sunday we will do Rite I, and then back to Enriching Our Worship.

Outreach: Monday's Community dinner change was successful. One person was able to take a shower. We are exploring whether we can install a washer & dryer. Fred suggested we should look at the hot water heater as well. George discussed having a "laundry Sunday" to collect money to cover laundry costs.

Communications: Please like items on our Facebook page to spread the word. Laura was at a new clergy meeting and Josh spoke about how to improve web sites to reach more people. Discussed revising the weekly blast to help it work better.

Finance: Quickbooks & Microsoft Office are installed.

Building & Grounds: Fred plans on meeting with a locksmith this week. He suggested we explore an irrigation system if we want to have a community garden

next year. We need to get bids for exterior painting and the moss removed from the roof. We need to repaint the church doors red.

Other Business:

Brenda and Frank removed the old altar and have it at their home. The old altar is not fixable. Frank has offered to take it apart and salvage the wood.

Rupert (music camp) has offered to perform a Christmas time service.

George needs a copy of the by laws for the website.

Follow up items:

Closing Prayer