

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of
St. David's Episcopal Church
September 18, 2007**

APPROVED

Members Present: Bette Allen, Malcolm Cooper, Judith Cayton, Lowell Keig, Jo Wicker, Jay Juba, Mary Elliott, Don Kuykendall, Peter Techmanski, Aldo Waker, Ann Marie Ellis and Pam O'Conner.

Members Absent: Tom Snyder, Glen Shuffler and Stuart Scruggs.

Others Present: The Rev. David Boyd, Rector
The Rev. Ron Smith, Associate; The Rev. Chad Vaughn, Associate; Terry Nathan, Parish Administrator; Frank Baldwin, Treasurer; Paul Brownell, Next To New Council President; Cynthia Cannon, CEEP; and Dr. Rebecca Powers, Grant Committee.

7:05 p.m. – The Rev. David Boyd began the meeting with a recitation of our mission statement and elaborated on the word “worshiping” from the statement.

The minutes were corrected to read: Under Staff Report the motion was seconded by Pam O'Conner and on the last page after Stewardship Committee the sentence should read “Nominees for vacant vestry position.... The minutes were approved as adjusted. Motion by Don Kuykendall and seconded by Bette Allen.

The Rev. David Boyd welcomed our new Vestry member Ann Marie Ellis and Cynthia Cannon with CEEP. Ms. Cannon stated that her Board of Directors is very pleased to be here and the hospitality of St. David's is overwhelming. St. David's will host the CEEP Conference in 2010.

STAFF REPORT

Dr. Powers presented the GCCO Final Proposal. All grants from non-profits will be due in January and the grantees chosen in May will be presented to the

Vestry. Next year they will begin the new process from a budget with \$10,000 grants being awarded.

The Committee has completed the granting for this year.

The Vestry passed a resolution that encourages future vestries to support “designated budget outreach money allocated be sustained until the time of disbursement.” Jo Wicker moved. Judith Cayton seconded. Jay Juba and Peter Techmanski abstained.

PARISH ADMINISTRATORS REPORT –

Terry Nathan reported that there were no surprises for the month of August. We have positively affected the balance of the designated funds by \$10,000.

The “Year-to-Date, through August 2007,” report needs to correct the Total Contributions line under Y-T-D 2006 from \$2,039,108.45 to \$1,083,723.30.

Terry reported that they are working on security issues, in particular panic buttons in appropriate places.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The garage contract is still being worked on and when agreement is reached it will be forwarded to the Chancellor for his approval.

The Restoration Contract was received today and after a cursory review there are questions on the ceiling changes so there is no action.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Don Kuykendall met with the bankers and stated that they were very cooperative and they are in the process of restructuring our loans.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Mary Elliott is the new chair and they are in the process of prioritizing their issues.

MISSION COMMITTEE

A report was given and grant requests made by Bette Allen as attached and approved. Jay Juba abstained.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Rev. David Boyd announced that Traci Whitney has moved to the events ministry and Roxanne Ruggles has been recruited to help with Stewardship as she has done in the past along with Terry Nathan and Catherine Roberts. Frank Baldwin and Terry Nathan will work with the financials on stewardship.

Of the 70 non-returning pledges we find that 22 never paid anything, 12 paid 50% or less.

Our pledges have passed \$1.5 million for the first time in our history and the pledge average is higher. This does not mean our work is done – there is more work to do.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Judith Cayton provided the report and standard form they will be using, attached.

They are involved in discussing perception, responsibility, assignments, results and where certain issues should reside.

GARAGE OPERATIONS

Terry Nathan said that there are security issues and Gus is doing garage maintenance until we sign the contract for the new system.

ST. DAVID'S SCHOOL

The Rev. David Boyd stated that we are full at 120 students and we have the highest percentage of parish member's children. It was announced that the school gave \$5000 gift to St. David's operating fund. The Vestry will send a thank you note to the School Board.

FOUNDATION meets tomorrow and the Legacy Event is the 28th of September.

NEXT-TO-NEW, Pam O'Conner reported profits are up and we are opening on Thursday evenings until 7pm until after Christmas. We are signing up an average of two estates a week.

WARMHEART – pipes are being put in for the well and the Bishop will be here in October.

The House of Bishops is meeting next month. Bishop Tenganena will be attending and we are supporting him with prayers and some gifts. The Archbishop of Canterbury will be in attendance also. Please check our home page for accurate updates of this meeting and do not rely on what you read in the media.

OLD BUSINESS

The Rev. David Boyd said that they are continuing to work with the Bishop on Ron's pension percentages.

Terry Nathan stated that they have been talking with different entities on a disaster plan but nothing concrete yet. Also stated he is not ready to present budget adjustments on renovations to Sumner's hall. No action this month.

RECTOR'S REPORT

The Rev. David Boyd announced that a new fellowship group has formed – St. David's Gay and Lesbian Fellowship, which will meet on Nov. 11.

He stated that they have been many groups and activities these last few weeks. For example, Judith Cayton told about Ladies of the Evening, which is a fellowship, and study group that meets the second Thursday of the month. The next meeting is October 9th, 6ish.

The Rev. Boyd discussed the possibility of a vestry retreat next spring.

He announced that Carol Heath has announced her intent to retire.

There will be a preacher from Germany in October.

The Dean from Malawi will be here October 5-8th.

The Eckhardt series will be October 19-21 and Mary Vano's father is the speaker.

Jo Wicker announced that environmental bags are being sold by the Environmental Committee 5 for \$20.

Missionary Allocation Candidates Catalogues are available for review.

Parish prayers requests were read and prayed for.

Adjournment at 9:15

Respectfully submitted,

Pam O'Conner, Acting Clerk