

Meeting of the Vestry

Chapel of the Cross

January 21, 2015

Present:

Rev. Ben Robertson

Rev. Gates Elliott

Bill Buhner, Junior Warden

Annell Holland, Clerk

Vestry Members Present:

Amy Barker

Tell Flowers

Davis Frye

Brian Martin

Sloan McKellar

Tony Risher

Dan Robertson

Scott Woods

Vestry Members Absent:

Mac Brown

Rev. Ben Robertson opened the meeting with prayer.

Long Range Planning Committee - Clint Doby

- Clint Doby presented the Long Range Planning Committee's recommendation for our new worship space and associated buildings/grounds. Working with Jonathan Austin & Chuck Barlow the committee has unanimously approved the following steps:
 - Finish the Master Plan for Buildings and Grounds(as presented)
 - Complete a set of Schematic Design Drawings
 - Prepare a Cost Estimate

Senior Warden, Davis Frye, thanked Clint for the many hours of hard work the committee has preformed. Davis asked the vestry to review the Long Range Planning Committee's recommendations (listed above) & be prepared vote to accept (or not) these at the February meeting.

Minutes

Brian Martin made the motion to accept the December 17, 2015 minutes. Scott Woods seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

Finance Report - Scott Woods

● **November & December 2014 Financials**

- The November report shows a decline in cash but the cash came back in December.

Bill Buhner made the motion to approve the Finance Committee's November & December Financial reports. Amy Barker seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

● **2013 Audit Package**

- The Finance Committee has recommended that the vestry approve the 2013 Audit Package prepared by Breazeale Saunders & O'Neil.

Tony Risher made a motion to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation. Tell Flowers seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

● **2015 Budget**

- Scott noted that the 2015 Budget line item for Revenue is missing a number of families who have not pledged. The vestry discussed this and decided the best course of action is: they will call these members and encourage them to pledge.
- Scott stated the Finance Committee has approved and recommended this budget be approved by the vestry.

Bill Buhner made the motion to approve the Finance Committee's 2015 Budget. Sloan McKellar seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

● **Wills Trust**

- Scott noted that the Chapel is receiving a certain amount of funds annually from the Wills Trust. These funds are currently not included in our budget. The Finance Committee has recommended this be included in the budget's revenue.

Scott Woods made a motion to include the money we will receive in 2015, from the Wills Trust, in our budget; to be classified as interest income. Dan Robertson seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

● **Website Redesign**

Sloan McKellar made a motion to fund the website redesign and maintenance from the Wills Trust ODR funds. Amy Barker seconded the motion which was passed unanimously with aye.

Senior Warden - Davis Frye

- Davis distributed a list of Chapel Committees and respective chairs. He requested the vestry's input in updating this list.

Junior Warden Report - Bill Burner

- He is working with Madison county to address the drainage issue along Gluckstadt Road which is eroding our property.
- Mold is growing on the cedar shank roof on the Chapel. He is looking for the best solution.

Rector's Report - Rev. Ben Robertson

- Recent Events:
 - Christmas was lovely.
 - Attendance has been good since Christmas.
- Upcoming Events:
 - He is currently accepting applications for the position of Parish Communicator.
- Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2015.
 - Vestry members will assist with organizing and tallying ballots.
- Vestry Retreat is scheduled for February 20 & 21, 2015 at the Ott Farm.
 - Food for the retreat is to be determined.

Scott Woods made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Dan Robertson seconded the motion which passed with all aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annell Holland, Clerk

