

## Vestry Meeting Highlights – January 19, 2017

The opening prayer was led by David DeSmith.

We welcomed Pat Hodde to the Vestry. As this was a new year with a new member David reviewed the Norms, Practices and Procedures that we follow.

We voted to change our meeting night to the third Wednesday of every month (with no meeting in July) so that choir members serving on the Vestry will not have to miss practice.

We confirmed Christine Rudolphi as Vestry Clerk and Mary-Esther Arther as Treasurer (non-voting).

We discussed a suggestion from a parishioner that we investigate having a “Peace Pole” on the grounds.

We voted to have a fish and chips dinner during Lent and a one-man production of Dickens’ Christmas Carol sometime in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

Irene Williams reported that the Guiding Team met and discussed the first question they had posed to the congregation and why the response wasn’t too good.

The bulletin board is set up so folks could share their experiences anonymously and the Team is considering monthly discussions based on the responses to questions they pose to the congregation.

The Team is investigating ways we can act in our neighborhood by reviewing the town calendar, and are planning to contact the mayor with the “Dream Board” suggestions.

We approved the minutes from the December meeting as written.

In his report David offered thanks for the members of the Nominating Committee; for Pat Hodde who took our Christmas gifts to North Porch; for all who went caroling; for the members of the Music Director Search Committee; for Deb and Mike Roehrer for their work in greening the church; for the choir, altar guild and worship ministers who participated in the

Christmas services; for those who put on the beautiful coffee hour on New Year's Day; for Mary-Esther Arther and Gill Otto for their work on the monthly newsletter; for Christine Rudolphi for her years as worship team leader; and for Marty Stanton who is assuming leadership of the Green Team.

The theme of Diocesan Convention is "Joining God in Making Our Future" and David and the deputies will report back to the congregation on how we at St. David's will proceed in the spirit of this theme.

The annual Vestry retreat is February 18, led by Doris Snyder and the wardens.

David announced a Lenten adult forum continuing the theme of dignity that is based on the book "Alzheimer's: Alzheimers Through the Looking Glass" and a possible second forum on the dignity of dying.

We reviewed and approved the Treasurer's report and the QuickBooks reports for December and approved the revised 2017 budget.

Dale Pappas Wilhelm reported that the Outreach Committee had met and invited Gill Otto to join them. Gill explained how our outreach could be more effective with them and with the larger community.

We approved the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and agreed that monies raised should help fund the RISE mission trip with or without St. David's youth participating.

In his Property Committee report Mike Roehrer noted that reflectors have been installed at the main entrance driveway. He said that the odor in the ladies restroom has been addressed and the fire exit near the sacristy has been made as weather tight as possible at this time. And we are getting closer to regulating the temperature in the church

We revised and approved the February calendar.

The meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

John Simonelli, Senior Warden