

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Bloomington, Indiana

Minutes of the Vestry – February 10, 2010

In attendance: Fr. Charlie Dupree, Randy Lloyd, Mary Ellen Brown, Larry Taylor, Jim Cripe, Susan Williams, Virginia Hall+, Mary Ann Keko, Mary Ann Hart, Spencer Anspach, Todd LaDow, Norm Crampton, Kelly Carnahan, Earl Singleton, Kimberly Hurley, Connie Pepler+. Janet Stavropoulos, Clerk.

The meeting began with Evening Prayer and reflections. The newly elected Vestry members were welcomed: Spencer Anspach, Kelly Carnahan, Jim Cripe, Earl Singleton, and Susan Williams.

Minutes of the January minutes were approved.

Treasurer *Murray Robinson* was not present as he was attending a Board of Trustees meeting at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. Thus there was no formal Treasurer's Report. However, Fr. Charlie and Randy Lloyd conveyed a recommendation from Murray and *Jane Martin*, Finance Commission chair, to consolidate our two investment accounts. Hilliard-Lyons currently holds approximately \$400,000 and Bedel Financial in Indianapolis holds approximately \$900,000. Murray and Jane recommend that Bedel hold and manage the entire portfolio in the interests of better efficiency and better results. This recommendation was moved, seconded, and passed.

Fr. Charlie added comments on the youth activity program and its new coordinator Michael Kurth. We should talk up the program, especially to parents. It can take up to three years to build an effective youth program but only three weeks to kill it. He also informed the Vestry that Anne Jones and Kris Frampton, who were candidates for election to the Vestry at the annual meeting, have been invited to join the Newcomer Commission.

Virginia+

She reported attendance at the Shelter as 34/night on average in January. She and Charlie are working on plan to get information to the parish community about Shelter operations and also recommendations for the future. Virginia is still working with Leadership Bloomington. Regarding theological education, which is highlighted in February, the practice has been to make a contribution to an educational entity. Murray says \$2000 available, though not in current budget. Virginia asks for \$1000 each to Charlie's seminary, Virginia Theological Seminary and Virginia's seminary, Church Divinity School of the Pacific. The Vestry decided to take this recommendation under advisement.

Connie+ -- no report at this time.

Fr. Charlie, Rector's Report

A fundraising initiative through Bucceto's Restaurant is planned on February 25th for the benefit of Alice Hershey and her family. The Vestry voiced support for this effort. Charlie then asked for comments on the parish meeting. Many positive comments were articulated. As for the election of Wardens, Charlie stated that he would like to keep Randy, as Rector's Warden, and Kimberly, as

People's Warden, for another year. This was moved, seconded, and passed. The Vestry Retreat will take place March 6th at First Capital, with a focus on the core values of the parish.

Virginia announced that we have been approached by Bloomington Parks & Recs to have a free daytime Spanish class here. Fr. Charlie stated that any on-going use of the facility must be approved by the Vestry. Janet Brinkworth, parish administrator, says we have plenty of room. We can do this on a six-month basis at first. The Vestry supports finding out more about it, specifically as to whether a governmental agency can make a donation to a religious entity. This initiative was moved, seconded, passed, with "user's fee" language incorporated.

The next meeting of the Vestry will take place on March 24, 2010 at 6:00. Mary Ellen Brown will provide snacks, and Randy will provide beverages. With the need to set up the Great Hall for this night's Shelter (Trinity hosts the Shelter on Wednesday night and Saturday night), the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet C. Stavropoulos, Clerk