

Minutes of the April 20, 2008 Vestry Meeting

Fr. Clements opened the meeting with a prayer. Present were Martha Baer, Roy Bickley, Fr. Clements, Mary Anne Carley, Bob Reid, Linda Lloyd, Martha Nesbitt, and Geoff Brown. Absent were: Al Dorf, Tom Schindler, Jane Canfield

Bob Reid moved that the minutes of the March meeting be approved, and Linda Lloyd seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Reports:

--Treasurer's Report: Martha Nesbitt presented the Treasurer's report, reflecting positive net income for the first quarter, and noted that we had received a check for \$4500 from the movie company for the hall rental that is not yet reflected in the results. Martha Baer moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as circulated, and Linda seconded the motion. The motion passed.

--Parochial Report: Martha Nesbitt also presented the financial portion of the Parochial Report. Fr. Clements presented the portion of the Parochial Report related to numbers of parishioners, average Sunday attendance, special services, etc. Roy moved that the Parochial Report be accepted, and Linda seconded. The report was accepted.

--Wardens Report: Linda presented the Warden's report.

--She noted that the Taconic Arts Center use of the facility is completed, and funds are expected from them for that usage.

--She also noted that the movie company had finished with use of our premises, and that we would be holding back a portion of their deposit to cover expense associated with cleaning and use of paper products.

--Linda also reported that for Trinity Sunday a well-organized effort for food planning and generous support by the parish are needed. Mary Anne will assist by drafting food donation lists with Linda.

--She also noted that a rose window for a light box above the new altar of repose will be undertaken shortly thanks to a generous donor.

--Referrals for rental of the hall and field have been coming in, both from the Wake Robin and the Interlaken. Jaguar has asked for first choice of weekends for next summer, since they are closed out by the track repaving this year.

--Art classes will be conducted in Walker Hall by a friend of the parish on Mondays from 10 AM – 4 PM. Based on our experience with the Taconic Arts Center, we will initially charge \$30/day for the use of the room, subject to negotiation.

--Buildings & Grounds: This coming Saturday will be the annual work day. All Vestry members are asked to participate; both coffee and donuts as well as a light lunch will be served, and any who cannot perform physical work outside can assist with the food preparation and cleanup.

At the suggestion of Fr. Clements, the B&G Chair will be asked to organize a group to clean out the garage following the Memorial Day weekend tag sale.
 --The Long Range Planning Committee had not met but will be scheduling a meeting after Trinity Sunday.

Continuing Business:

--Covenant relationships (i.e. ad hoc committees) and committee assignments were the first matter to be considered in this area. The Vestry determined the following assignments (note that these are Vestry oversight assignments, **not** committee chairs):

Subject matter area	Vestry member(s) responsible
Adult education, including EFM	Fr. Clements, Roy Bickley and Mary Anne Carley
Altar Guild	Fr. Clements and Jane Canfield
Arts, including Art Show	Linda Lloyd and Martha Baer
ECW	Linda Lloyd
Finance	Martha Nesbitt
Flowers	Linda Lloyd
Hospitality	Al Dorf
Lime Rock Park	Geoff Brown
Worship	Fr. Clements
Music	Martha Baer and Tom Schindler
Buildings and Grounds	Roy Bickley and Linda Lloyd
Outreach	Tom Schindler
Prayer Chain	Tom Schindler
Sports/Recreation ministry	Geoff Brown
Stewardship/annual giving/fundraising	Bob Reid and Al Dorf
Communications (including Trinity Times, Trinity Update, Rota, website, etc.)	Fr. Clements and Geoff Brown
History	Geoff Brown
Cemetery Liaison	Fr. Clements
Welcoming and newcomers	All Vestry Members
Nursing homes	Fr. Clements
Office volunteers	Fr. Clements

--Vestry retreat: Fr. Clements noted that he had had difficulty in lining up a suitable consultant for a vestry retreat and recommended that we combine this retreat with a retreat for stewardship. The Vestry concurred in this recommendation. The retreat will be held at St. Michael's in Litchfield in late August or September.

New Business: There was no new business

Vicar's Report: Fr. Clements reported progress in concept regarding the pet cemetery outside the west window of Walker Hall. He noted that he will be beginning a free-form adult education program on Saturday mornings beginning May 10. He also noted that Jim Conzo will be conducting the Robertson Alford lectures this year, regarding healthy lifestyles, and they will take place after church on a series of Sundays to be determined.

The next meeting of the Vestry will be Sunday, May 25, a change from the previously scheduled date.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Fr. Clements closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoffrey Brown
Clerk