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Advent Episcopal Church
13150 Spanish Garden Drive, Sun City West, AZ 85375
VESTRY MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2016

- I. OPENING PRAYER: The opening prayer was offered by Flavia Nomicos.
- II. BIBLE STUDY: Fr. Harry commented on the Bible selection chosen by Flavia. It was from Paul's Epistle to the Galatians. Paul cautioned against falling back to the pattern of being concerned about laws, which produced wickedness, but to pay greater attention to issues pertaining to the spirit.
- III. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Fr. Harry at 11:40 a.m. Members present: Fr. Harry, Flavia Nomicos, Paula Bachman, Dianne Diaz, Bob Fletcher, Pat Kindle, John Long, Joe Marquis, Herb Norton, Sharon Paine-Keefe, and Pat Stewart. Parishioners present: Russell Flack, Treasurer.
- IV. AGENDA: Paula Bachman moved that the agenda be accepted, with the addition, presented by John Long, that the inclusion of the wish list in the Luminary added to New Business.
- V. SR. WARDEN: Fr. Harry appointed Dianne Diaz Sr. Warden, noting prior plans that she would succeed Ray Joseph.
- VI. PAROCHIAL REPORT: Fr. Harry said that the discussion of the Parochial Report would be tabled until the next Vestry meeting.
- VII. JR. WARDEN'S REPORT: Flavia Nomicos distributed a note from Terry Davis, our Chancellor, (Attachment 1), concerning the paperwork for groups using Paine Hall. He is reviewing the proposed forms submitted to him by Flavia and Paula. Flavia also commented that only four people showed up for yesterday's "clean up." She reported that a switch is triggering the fire alarm and she will get in touch with the company ASAP.
- VIII. TREASURER: Russell Flack had submitted the Investment Committee Report via e-mail (Attachment 2). He stated that he is revising his report for the Vestry to add more detail. He said that for January, our income is up and our expenses are down. Flavia commented that there is no money in Major Maintenance.
- IX. SECRETARY'S REPORT: Paula said that Dianne and Russell need to be added as signers on our bank account. Bob Fletcher moved and Sharon Paine-Keefe seconded the motion that this be done. The motion passed. Paula also distributed the list of contributors of Luminary articles and asked those who had not volunteered to do so.
- X. COMMUNICATION: Sharon had submitted her report via e-mail (Attachment 3). She reported that she attended the PORA function yesterday and heard a couple of comments from people who felt that they were not welcomed warmly when visiting Advent. Sharon suggested welcoming visitors with a microphone. The Vestry members had mixed feelings.
- XI. FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Herb Norton had submitted his report via e-mail (Attachment 4).

- XII. PARISH GROWTH: John had submitted his report via e-mail (Attachment 5). He told the Vestry that there will be a newcomers' event on April 3 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- XIII. PARISH VISITORS: Pat Stewart distributed her report (Attachment 6). She also distributed a suggested policy concerning the Bereavement Committee financial account (Attachment 7). Paula moved and John Long seconded the motion, with the addition that if money is to go to another fund, the donor should be notified. The motion passed, with one negative vote.
- XIV. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, WORSHIP, and RECTOR SEARCH: Pat Kindle had submitted her report via e-mail (Attachment 8).
- XV. VESTRY POSITION ON SEARCH COMMITTEE: John moved and Paula seconded the motion that Pat Kindle joins the Search Committee. The motion passed.
- XVI. REPLACEMENT FOR DIANNE DIAZ AS VESTRY MEMBER: As Dianne will serve as Sr. Warden, a replacement for her on the Vestry must be named. Fr. Harry asked members to consider nominations until the next meeting, when a vote will be taken.
- XVII. PAYMENT APPROVALS: To clarify, those who may give approval for payments are the Rector, the Sr. Warden, the Jr. Warden and the Treasurer.
- XVIII. REQUESTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS: The following requests were considered: Sherriff's Posse – will receive \$100; Chapel Rock - \$0 (there will be a contribution from the Men's Club; Church of Divinity School of the Pacific – hold until next meeting.
- XIX. COFFEE HOUR: John suggested that an invitation to the coffee hour be added to the announcements.
- XX. WISH LIST: The current wish list will be added to each month's Luminary.
- XXI. HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT: Each Vestry member should ask each of their committees for Luminary items.
- XXII. EASTER VIGIL: Champagne and cookies will be served at the Easter Vigil. The Vestry is responsible, coordinating with ECW and the Men's Club.
- XXIII. PRAYERS FOR PEACE: Bob questioned the safety of the evening meetings of Prayers for Peace, as there are not yet many participants. Fr. Harry said that consideration is being given to moving the time from evening to daytime.
- XXIV. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by Fr. Harry at 12:45 p.m. The next meeting will be on March 20.

Attachments: 1. Jr. Warden Report and Note from Chancellor, 2. Investment Committee Report, 3. Communication, 4. Finance Ministry and Financial Reports, 5. Parish Growth, 6. Parish Visitors, 7. Bereavement Committee Financial Account. 8. Christian Education, Worship, Search.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Bachman
Clerk of the Vestry