

St. Francis Episcopal Church May 8, 2007 Vestry Meeting

Present: Jenny Braz, Donna Jewett, Janet Karzmark, Bill Krivan, Giovanna Mason, Lyn Mehl, David Morris, Cristine Mincheff and Dick Wells. Also present Fr. Chris Creed and Carla Thompson.

Absent: Katie Magleby, Peter Caffrey and Mary Van Nostern.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Janet at 7:05. The collective vision was read by Fr. Chris.

Old Business/ Action Items from Last Meeting

1. Hall Floor—Donna reported cost of \$978.12 for initial stripping, cleaning and rewaxing and \$678.00 for annual upkeep. Donna agreed to get the floor done. An infestation in the kitchen needs to be addressed. A kitchen inventory is scheduled for May 19. Our 50th, 60th and 80th anniversaries will be observed on June 3rd. The parish picnic will be on August 5th and is being planned by Carol Wells and Melinda Dobbs.
2. Newcomer Event—will be held on May 20th at Bill's home. All vestry members are invited to attend and a food assignment list will be mailed to each member.
3. Salad Suppers—Jenny requested that pizza be added to the menu. The first Salad Supper is June 6th.
4. Brochure—David requests more information to develop the St. Francis brochure. He is also developing a logo for the church.
5. Computer—Cristine to gain more computer skills.
6. Dworak Easter Idea—Carla to do tickler for January meeting.
7. Yard Sale—Dick to ask Barbara Ratcliffe to run the St. Francis information table. An estate planning seminar is being planned for Autumn.
8. Congregational Growth—Brainstormed ideas on how to reach more people. It was agreed that we need to be Episcopalians (not act like anyone else) that each individual needs to be willing to invite others. We came up with the following ideas:
 - a. Make our message fit all generations
 - b. Get Youth involved
 - c. Have good follow up on all visitors
 - d. Set up committee on growth
 - e. Work in change—add new elements in our worship
 - f. Face racial issues—strive for a good racial mix
 - g. Set up inter faith dialogues
 - h. Set up interesting programs for the general public
9. Ministry—each ministry group needs apply our ministry vision.
10. Yard Sale—needs more volunteers. Bill suggested that we make a list of different groups that meet here for the sale. He agreed to make the list.
11. Newcomers Brunch—chose names to call and invite.

New Business

1. Bishop Election—all members of El Camino Real are invited to attend the presentation tour. A lay conference will be held on May 19th. Carpools are encouraged.
2. July 1st—maybe celebrate July 4th? Donna will check with her committee for ideas
3. Solar Panels—Cristine will check for information regarding panels. It's suspected that cost and efficiency will improve in the next year.
4. Change meeting—Katie can't make the 2nd Tuesday meetings. Will try meeting on the 3rd Tuesday for June.
5. Facility—was the ideas of the committee implemented? Bill will check for results.

Financials

1. Report not available
2. Auto debit—authorized for payroll.

Reports

1. Rector—vestry chose not to meet with the delegates and alternates. May send emails to them.
2. Wardens—need to get more people involved in our programs. Suggested that we make a list of people/skills and try to plug them into ministries. Also need to start thinking of 2008 new vestry members—bring list of 3-5 names to the next meeting.
3. Buildings & Grounds—the recycling funds are growing.
4. Outreach—next meeting is 6:30 on Wednesday.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 in prayer by Janet.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla Thompson, vestry clerk