



Resurrection Episcopal Church, Rockdale

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Attendees: Fr. Wand, Phyllis Russell, Barbara Krisack, Rosemary Bezuidenhout, Helen Dunlap and Marsha Litwin. Absent: Ernestine Franz, Charlie Simpson.

Vestry Minutes—April 12, 2017

1. Opening Prayer – Fr. Wand @ 7:04pm
2. Agenda Adoption with additions to #10 Finances: Add Counting procedure.
3. Vestry Minutes of Previous Sessions were not available. Will review Jan-March at next meeting.
4. Rector's Warden Report—Helen Dunlap- Middletown Township is working on completing the area where Ricks Sheds rent the property. The township took out a few more trees and needs to add some gravel or something to keep the dirt/mud from splashing onto the sheds.
5. Mission Discernment Task Force for Resurrection's Future—Rick Dunlap, chair
 - a. Vestry: Helen made the motion and Barbara 2nd and all were in favor to approve membership changes to Rick Dunlap, Rosemary Bezuidenhout, Marissa Blunt, Terri Burrell, David Haley, Janet Russello, and Jude Winters.
 - b. Vestry: Marsha made the motion and Phyllis 2nd and all were in favor to approve \$275 for the purchase of books as recommended by consultant for use by Task Force.
 - c. Task Force may ask for special vestry meeting later this month to report in and get feedback before the Annual Meeting. Looks like May 4th may be a good day and we should consider postponing the May meeting to 5/18th.
 - d. Purchases that need approved by Vestry between meetings will be requested via email to the vestry. This will avoid delays in purchases and keep all transactions transparent.
 - e. Culmination: Bishop's Visitation and Re-consecration of Church was requested for the date 10/1/17. Awaiting diocese new admin assistants' response and confirmation.
6. People's Warden Report—Ernestine Franz-absent today and we all hope she is feeling better.
7. Nominating Committee Report—Limited qualified members. Request Vestry to consider reducing limitations on relatives serving simultaneously on Vestry. This would require an amendment or change to the the By-Laws which currently state that no two married individuals, domestic partners, civil union partners, siblings, parents or children may serve at the vestry at the same time. Proposal would be that we limit to prohibition of spouses [allowing siblings and descendants]. We will vote on this amendment on May 4th with vestry meeting briefly before the Mission Discernment Task Force meeting. Need to ask Kate Idun, Diane Hagy and Joe Newby if they are interested in joining the Vestry.

8. Property Committee Report—Phyllis Russell, Helen Dunlap
 - a. The kitchen is done. An anonymous contributor donated funds to purchase a countertop for the entrance to the kitchen that will match the new countertop in the kitchen. The kitchen should be ready for Coffee hour 4/23.
 - b. There's some staining on the new tile flooring. Helen to contact Tim to either replace the tiles or clean.
 - c. Electrician needed for the Loft in the church, GFI in the kitchen and the bathroom light in the rectory. Phyllis to contact now that the kitchen renovations are wrapping up.
 - d. Bats in the Rectory: Very expensive to clean all the droppings out of the attic, install soffet to keep them out, the estimator predicts that the bats will then go into the Bell tower so the soffets will need to be reinforced there as well. A huge expense. Insurance will only cover the cleaning out of the attic but no reinforcing. Message into Shawn McCauley at the Diocese to see if there are any other vendors to recommend.
 - e. The clean out of the inside of the undercroft is progressing well. We can go ahead and call the Community Action Agency to pick up the items left over. There are still some dishes in the shed that need to be added to the pile before they come to pick them up. Marsha will call them to pick up by 4/24 if possible.
9. Priest in Charge Report – Fr. Wand
 - a. Fr. Wand is asking the Vestry to designate Maundy Thursday offering each year for either Episcopal Relief and Development or Episcopal Community Services; and the Good Friday offering each year to the Work of the Church in the Holy Land. Phyllis made the motion and Barbra 2nd, all were in favor of designating the Maundy Thursday offering each year to Episcopal Relief and Development and the Good Friday offering to the Work of the Church in the Holy land.
 - b. Memorial Fund—thinking of buying red chasuble, the red chasuble we had is missing. Rosemary to call Fr. Greg to see if it may have gotten mixed up with his things in his move before a purchase is made.
 - c. Fr. Wand would like to have a Sanctuary candle mounted with a clear glass holder. We have a mount for the candle in one of the sheds, would just need the glass holder.
 - d. Prep for Annual Meeting: need to request a report from all the committees. Helen to contact Ernestine Franz for Finance, Phyllis Russell for Property, Joe Bardroff for Stewardship, Jude Winters for Eucharistic ministry, Karen Warren/ Milly Butler for ECW, Rick Dunlap for Mission Discernment, Barbara Krisack/ Jill Graham for Sunday School, Dawn Viscusi for Preschool and Debbie Ney for Choir to submit brief report for the annual meeting.
10. Finances—Ernestine Franz and Rosemary Bezuidenhout -Brief review of the Financial Report.
11. Adjourn with prayer by Fr. Wand at 8:34pm