

Calvary Episcopal Church Minutes

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
MINUTES OF VESTRY MEETING
September 11, 2018

The September meeting was called to order by Sr. Warden Jewlon Morris at 6:34 PM. The vestry said an opening prayer for the parish.

Vestry Members Present: Leslie Amentini, Betty Best, Roy Haley, Frank Lemkowitz, Oscar Lozano, Dorothy Lyons, Scott McLemore, Jewlon Morris and David Taylor

Also Present: Fr Paul Wehner

Vestry Members Absent: Jim Kidda, Missy Marek and Joyce Strimple.

Frank Lemkowitz led the vestry in a devotional regarding "Nine-Eleven. Never Forget".

Review of August Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August Meeting Minutes were reviewed for accuracy and approved with revision, following a motion to approve by Scott McLemore which was seconded by Betty Best.

Finance Committee Report

- * Year-to-date pledges are have fallen short of year to date budget by \$32,507.69, though plate offerings continue to exceed budgeted amount. It is hoped that September, with five Sundays, will improve this situation.
- * Office and Administration: Insurance reflects a premium increase. Clergy continuing education reflects Rev Lecia Brannon's participation in Leadership of Fort Bend County classes.
- * Buildings and Grounds: Monitoring/ Tech services includes three months of expenses from July through September.
- * Finance Committee: Bank fees include kiosk and online banking fees.
- * Mission/ Outreach Ministry: Calvary Preparatory expenses of \$4500.00 includes the cost of the school buses. The Church paid \$3000.00 for one of the buses.
- * Calvary Life Ministry: Special events appears to show a profit because the expenses for Splashway have not been received yet.
- * Worship Ministry: The Worship/ Sound cost is for piano tuning and soundboard work.
- * Year-to-date net again reflects drop in revenue.

Rector's Report

- * Laundry Love: This outreach is being done in California, and at St. David's. It involves donating laundry soap, dryer sheets and laundromat coins and volunteering to assist needy people with their laundry. The vestry approved for Rev Nancy Wilkes moving ahead with this project on a two-month trial basis following a motion by Roy Haley seconded by Leslie Amentini.
- * Vestry Duties: It was reiterated that for VPOD duties, Welcome Cards are to be placed in Anne Scarborough's mailbox and Prayer Cards in Rev Lecia Brannon's mailbox.
- * School and Church division of expenses document: It was decided the ideal church/ school split of expenses is 36/ 64 for fixed expenses and special staff is decided upon cooperatively. The vestry approved and the document was signed by the Rector and the vestry clerk following signatures by the headmaster and president of the school board.
- * Visiting Bishop visit will be October 21, at 9:30 AM. It will probably include a slide presentation of church activities and the Rector proposes this would be an appropriate time to present Hippler and Associates and All-Star Plumbing with certificates for their help with Calvary's Hurricane Harvey project.

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- * Security Doors between the church and the school require ADA modifications of about \$6000.00. A Myers grant will be applied to pay for this.
- * Security Cameras: The school has a turn-key grant for \$22,000.00 for security cameras, which they will pay for and which will be installed before the end of the year. The vestry approved.

Associate Priest's Report

Rev Lecia Brannon was not in attendance. The Planning Your Future workshop will be held in the Parish Hall on September 19.

Sr. Warden Report

- * Vestry elections will be held November 11.

Jr. Warden Report

- * The water leak in the hallway was traced to a problem created with the bathroom renovations, which has now been corrected. The cost was \$736.00.
- * Duran Roofing inspected the Parish hall roof to locate the source of two leaks and determined the wood under the shingles is sagging and probably rotten. To fix these leaks they would charge \$1,860.00 but could not guarantee it because other sites of the roof may have similar issues. They quoted \$26,940.00 to replace the entire Parish hall roof. \$30,000.00 has been donated for this repair. The Jr Warden is seeking quotes to replace the entire roof.

Christian Formation

- * Leslie Amentini presented Christian Formation Goals and Objectives for the coming year. These include forming pathway groups for Christian fellowship and study, reinforcing Christian lifestyle through developing personal boundaries, reaching people where they are practicing the presence of God, and becoming fishers of men.

Committee Reports

- * Outreach: Roy Haley proposed assisting another Attack Poverty house with funds left over from Calvary's Hurricane Harvey outreach. The proposal was accepted following a motion from David Taylor that was seconded by Dorothy Lyons.
- * Membership: Rally Day August 26 was a well-attended success and yielded new volunteers for the Prayer Team, Sound Board and Care Team's meal deliveries. A Calvary business directory has been initiated so Calvary members will have the opportunity to support their fellow parishioners in the marketplace. Photographers for the new Calvary directory will be here November 8-10 and again November 23-24. Signups will be available by website and by e-blast.

New Business

- * None.

Old Business

- * None.

The vestry said a closing prayer.

At 8:41 the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by / David Taylor, Clerk