

St. Mark's Parish Council

Wednesday, December 14, 2011

7:30 pm, BRH

Present:

Joy Bowerman, Wanda Bowman, Les Cundell, Fr. Brian Kauk, Penny Miller, Jenny Morphew, Gillian Morris, Janis Perkin, Michael Perkin, Georgia Roberts,

Regrets: Stephen Coaker, Judy Corbishley, Allen Deering, Cynthia Greer, Sheila Vaudrey

Absent: Mani P Mani

1. **Call to Order** at 7:35 by Fr. Brian Kauk. Fr Brian is acting as chair in the absence of Judy and Allen
2. **Approval of Agenda**
Under other business, c. Parish Nurse update by Georgia, and d. Pause table by Michael.
Budget is moved after other business.
Approved (Les, Janis)
3. **Approval of minutes.**
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11a. The workshop was deferred not canceled
Approved as amended(Gillian, Jenny)
4. **Business arising from previous minutes**
For the potluck which Carleton Memorial is planning in February, they may perhaps need short segments of entertainment.
5. **Other Business**
 - a. What are we allowed to do in our kitchen? Karen Roberts and Judy Corbishley will collaborate on investigating. It will be put on the agenda for January to think about what questions we want answered.
 - b. GIFT Had first kick off meeting. There are volunteers so we can go ahead. The next step is the covenant between the diocese and ourselves. Brian has received formal notification from the diocese. Funds will be split 50/50 between the parish and the diocese. Up to 27% of the diocesan funds go to programs that directly benefit the parish environment. We have a visioning session on 13th and 14th of January.

Motion: That this council endorse our full participation in the Growing In Faith Together campaign. Approved(Michael, Georgia)
 - c. Parish Nurse Update: Gail Stone, Georgia Roberts and Judy Darling are leading the process of hiring a new parish nurse. They are consulting with other churches in the Ottawa West Deanery to see if any would be willing to collaborate on hiring a nurse. If there was another parish interested, together we would be able to offer 20 – 25 hours, which might make the position more attractive. The Algonquin parish nurse program is no longer running so it may be more difficult to come up with qualified person.

d. Pause Table at Carleton University. We were successful in partnering with Trinity Anglican. Over 900 student were served, entertained and comforted. They went through 20 dozen bagels, 5 crates oranges, innumerable apples, bananas, muffins, sandwiches, hard boiled eggs and juice boxes. The pause table needs for a church to partner with on Tuesday, December 20.

6. 2012 Budget

- a.** For the current financial year, we are behind where we had hoped to be at this time. Our collections income is about \$5000 behind although our expenses close to target. Our anticipated deficit will be larger than expected because we will not have our full income from the CTF funds and are not yet generating any solar income.
- b.** For the 2012 budget, we are projecting the same collections income as this year's budget. Under Gain from Assets, there is a line added for solar income and a decrease in the income from CTF funds.
- c.** There are no major projects anticipated for 2012. A line has been added for Prayer Shawl Ministry under Programs. Also under programs, the line for Publicity is for our participation in the Diocesan tag advertising at Christmas and Easter. The budget for Parish Nurse anticipates hiring a nurse in April and expenses are the expenses associated with hiring.
- d.** A review of the purpose of each of the Reserve Funds was asked for and is as follows:
- Roof and Solar Panels – donations directed to the roof and solar panels
 - Ministry – Funds to allow development and support of ministry initiatives
 - Affordable Housing – Funds to explore affordable housing in the back 40, has been redirected to Ministry
 - Choir Gowns – Donations for the purchase of new choir gowns
 - Capital Projects – Funds to allow the projects on the physical structure of the church and hall.
 - Choir Fund – Funds donated to the choir (usually from donations from weddings and funerals)
 - Key Deposits – Funds resulting from deposits from persons with keys to the church, source of funds when key is returned
 - Memorials – Funds given in memory of parishioners.
 - Pastoral Care Support – Funds donated to help persons requiring some financial support in the face of illness.
 - Rector's Discretionary – Funds donated to be used at the rector's discretion.
 - Tree Care – Funds donated to take care of the crab apple trees at the front of the church

The budget will be reviewed at the January meeting and a motion to send it to vestry will be made at that time. Also at the January meeting, possible candidates for Lenten Outreach will be selected.

7. The next meeting is January 11 in BRH.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 with the Grace. (Les, Joy)

Submitted by Joy Bowerman