

St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church Vestry Minutes for April 28, 2009

A quorum was present: The Rev. Robert T. Jennings, Senior Warden Terry Strange, Junior Warden Sloane Graff, Treasurer Tom Kelley, David Welsh, The Rev. Deborah Apoldo, Elizabeth Gillette, Bob Bortner, Chris Zimmerman, Robert Thompson, Postulant, Anne McMillin, Cheryl Brandreth, Bill Receveur, Bob Quaife and Tom Brown, Clerk.

- I. Robin opened the meeting with prayer.
 - a. Cheryl presented the program Parent 2 Parent which was founded in Oldham County and will be incorporated into St. Francis' curriculum for fall. It involves support groups involved in raising our teenagers.
 - b. Debbie reported on the Bishop's Search Committee. Over 500 people have responded and Debbie encouraged us to participate either on-line or by hard copy available in the Narthex.

- II. Simple Church (pp. 109-163)
 - a. Sloane led an exercise that characterized the various programs offered by St. Francis as we pursue our Vision, Ministry and Strategy to bring every home into a church.

- III. Rector's Report
 - a. A book review in the Courier Journal carried at Easter on the resurrection was given to the Vestry. The review of "The Resurrection" was done by Robin.
 - b. An Anglican Covenant Talk will be held on Sunday, May 3 at which time we will discuss our direction and the dimension of our faith.
 - c. The Rev. J.D. Brown will visit on Sunday, May 10.
 - d. Robert Thompson, Postulant, was introduced to the Vestry.
 - e. Gary England intends to become a Deacon.
 - f. The Kilgore Garden Tour, May 16 & 17, is off to a great start in terms of ticket sales and public support.
 - g. Bishop Gulick will be here for confirmation on May 31st.

- IV. Senior Warden's Report
 - a. A resolution to honor Tom Dieruf's many years of service was passed and a plaque commemorating this service will be placed in the Tyler Room.
 - b. The Vestry questions the mission trip planned for our youth to Mexico as to the safety of the group, given the criminal activity and medical conditions now prevalent in this area. It is hoped that they can make some trip and that a suitable alternative can be found by May 15.
 - c. St. Francis School, Incorporated, which is located in Goshen, Kentucky, sought to amend their articles of Incorporation, eliminating any role our church has in the functioning of their school, so they might act as an autonomous body. Senior Warden Terry Strange and Clerk Thomas Brown signed the appropriate papers and returned originals to St. Francis School. Copies will be held in our minutes and at our church. Vestry member and attorney, Anne McMillin Juckett advised us in the legalities of this issue.

- V. Committee Reports
 - a. Anne McMillin reported the many activities planned for our children this summer. Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School. Jr. Youth are looking for

projects. Carma Nelson will be leaving in August to pursue her missionary career and we will be saddened by this loss but thrilled for her dedication to her ministry. Cindy is interviewing for a replacement.

- b. Bill Receveur discussed the Mission Driven Car Show. 120+ cars will be here and we hope to top the \$50,000 mark in revenues directed to our youth over the event's life.
 - c. The Bishop's Study is coming along nicely in terms of renovation, although more funds than originally planned are needed.
 - d. Bob Quaife's ideas for a glass door for the front of the church and key pads for door security were directed to the properties committee.
- VI. Approved Minutes
- a. Minutes from the March 24, 2009 Vestry Meeting were approved.
- VII. Treasurer's Report
- a. Tom Kelley presented his simplified report on our finances to excellent review. We had a good month but Tom cautioned that we have twelve of them before we can tell the true picture of our finances.
 - b. Betty Anne Allen's gift has been placed in a "designated fund".
- VIII. The Rule
- a. David Welsh discussed Acts 1:5-12 and provided historical information about the Godliness of Jesus Christ. "There is salvation in no one else."
- IX. New Business
- a. Next Vestry Meeting Tuesday, May 26, 2009
- X. Devotion for the Evening.
- a. Robin led us in closing.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Tom Brown, Clerk

The Rev. Robert T. Jennings
Rector

Approved signatures on original document.