

Meeting minutes taken by Jill Barry

Members Present: Kevin Barry, Joel Flint, Angela Keane, John Standley, Laura Daniels, Shelley McKean, Rev. Mike Wernick

Non-voting Present: Jill Barry (recorder)

Meeting called to order 7:10 PM, opened with prayer by Rev. Mike

Agenda approved (John moved/Laura seconded)

Clergy Report for April approved (Kevin moved/Shelley seconded)

- Mike will share with the congregation some info regarding the NWCU conference he attended in Milwaukee in May – his impression was “Ecumenism is alive and well!”

Approval of April minutes with addition of Rev. Mike to those listed as present (Kevin moved/Laura seconded)

Liaison Reports – all reports accepted (Joel moved/Shelley seconded):

- Property (verbal report from Joel)
 - Spoke with Candy from St. Andrew’s (in town) re: native plant grant from Sacred Grounds. Also looked at ADAPT (crowd-funded) restoration of land.
 - Will contact Kentwood re: Adopt a Route (street cleanup) to see if can split a route; will also contact St. Paul re: possibly sharing a route.
- Community Ministry (written report from Kim H. – not present)
 - No discussion needed.
- Hospitality – (verbal report from Shelley)
 - Maybe joint service with Holy Trinity on August 13 to include a picnic
- Worship & Music (written report from Rev. Mike)
 - Will be doing a committal service for Shirley at the cemetery; no word yet on any services planned for Al (Mickey has been moved to Commonwealth Assisted Living).
- Correspondence (verbal report from John)
 - The usual thank yous.
 - Jill to complete the Thank Yous going out to Diaper Depot contributors.

Treasurer’s Report – (written report from John) accepted along with other liaison reports above.

- No surprises - finances good.
- Only discussion was regarding Leadership’s concern that allocated (budget) funds for CM should be used rather than held onto until the end of the year. Kevin will attend a CM meeting to discuss this with them.

Old Business:

- Constitution & By-Laws Update
 - Zoom meeting is to take place within two weeks between Bill Fleener, Val Ambrose, Dennis Smith, and Bishop Singh.

Old Business (Continued):

- Christian Ed Discussion
 - See Synod Assembly below
- Safe Church, Safe Communities Training Requirements
 - Leadership team signed Appendix D Compliance Agreement Forms
- Background Checks for those in leadership roles
 - Background check authorization forms completed for Jill (as staff) and Kevin (as Sr. Warden)
 - Jill will forward forms on to Diocese via Maggie (Safe Church Coordinator).
- N/WLMS Synod Assembly – May 7-9 – Kevin/Jill
 - Discussed using Bishop Saterlee’s new book for a book study this fall

New Business:

- Solar Panels
 - John will check with MI Interfaith Power & Light; there is an Episcopal Church in Hastings that has done some solar panels, may consult with them.
- Reconciling Works Annual Gift
 - Was determined that we skipped it in 2022; authorized John to send \$100 for 2023.
 - Intent is to put this in the yearly budget.
- Scrip Update
 - Jill working on a “how to” flyer that can be handed out
 - Laura selling during coffee hour

Determined no need for a meeting in June. Next meeting will be July 20 at 7 PM.

Meeting adjourned 9:20 PM.