

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting  
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
February 14, 2005**

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Present: Patrick McCreery – Senior Warden, Sam Fouquet, Nan Fuller, Madeleine Gerdes, John Harrison, Annett Inacker-Trail, David Mintz, Stephanie Phillips, Bill Shreve, Susan Slakey, Tom Stolarik, Lavonne Bieber – *Clerk*, the Rev.'s Kevin Phillips - *Rector* and Maly Adams - *Priest Executive*.

Absent: Gil Brady and Tom Six

There, being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 7:22 p.m. after Evening Prayer.

**Item of Business #1: Acceptance of January 2005 Minutes**

Motion: To accept the January 2005 Minutes.  
Moved: Sam Fouquet  
Seconded: Susan Slakey  
Passed unanimously.

**Item of Business #2: Treasurer's Report**

Bill Shreve reported on Tom's behalf, noting that for the first time in years we have started the year off in the black. Revenues for January were \$6,942 (8.8%) over budget. Pledge was 10% over as was building use. Expenses for January were \$11,270 under budget. This is largely due to timing of payments for clergy pension, rectory remodeling and social services. Since our income was high and our expenses were low, we ran a \$18,212 surplus versus budget for January.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's report  
Moved: Tom Stolarik  
Seconded: Susan Slakey  
Passed unanimously.

**Item of Business #3: Election of Junior Warden**

Motion: Nominate David Mintz for Junior Warden  
Moved: Patrick McCreery  
Seconded: Susan Slakey

No other nominations were made. Passed unanimously by acclamation.

**Item of Business #4: Kate Wilson – Candidate for Holy Orders**

Motion: To endorse Kate Wilson to Candidate for Holy Orders  
Moved: David Mintz  
Seconded: Susan Slakey  
Passed unanimously.

**Item of Business #5: Cristopher Robinson – Ordination to the Diaconate**

Motion: To endorse Cristopher Robinson for Ordination to the Diaconate  
Moved: Stephanie Phillips  
Seconded: David Mintz  
Passed unanimously.

### **Item of Business #6 Parochial Report**

Maly distributed the 2004 Parochial Report, which was prepared by John Ezell, Joanna Shreve and Maly.

Motion: To accept the 2004 Parochial Report  
Moved: Susan Slakey  
Seconded: Annett Inacker-Trail  
Passed unanimously.

### **Item of Business #7 Review of Budget**

Bill Shreve explained the Treasurer's report in detail with the Vestry to benefit the new members.

Kevin noted that on February 26<sup>th</sup>, at St. Paul's, Salinas, The Rt. Rev. Ed Leidel, Bishop of Eastern Michigan, is presenting "The Next Step – Thinking Outside The Box Understanding Our Connections". The Vestry is invited to attend.

### **Item of Business #8 Vestry Retreat Evaluation**

Kevin asked for feedback on the Vestry Retreat.

#### Positive Feedback

- The icebreaker was good. Great way to get to know each other.
- Very relaxed and focused.
- Complex concept, but were very manageable.
- Devoting leadership at monthly Vestry Meetings.
- Not intimidating.
- Good jump start.
- There were things discussed for both the new Vestry members and continuing Vestry members.
- Benefited from the discussion of what it is to be Episcopal.
- Enjoyed hiking back and forth to meals, it was a nice break.
- Facility was excellent.
- Came out with positive energy.
- Carpooling was good.

#### Area for Improvement

- More carpooling.
- Opportunity for Goal Setting.
- Opportunity to discuss our Vision – long range.
- Reconcile roles and responsibilities.
- Reflections on previous year.
- What should the next step be?
- Assign people certain action items.
- Should we have a mid-year Retreat locally for 6 hours?

There, being no further business, and following Words in Passing, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Motion: To adjourn  
Moved: Susan Slakey  
Seconded: Stephanie Phillips  
Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lavonne Bieber, Clerk

Attachment

The Vestry being polled via e-mail approved the following individuals as authorized signatures for signing checks on behalf of St. Timothy's.

Sara Achenbach – Parish Administrator

Holly Hem – Youth Minister

Joanna Shreve – Finance Administrator

Lavonne Bieber – Clerk of the Vestry

Patrick McCreery – Senior Warden of the Vestry

David Mintz – Junior Warden of the Vestry