

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting  
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
Thursday, March 12, 2009**

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Present: Beto Casellas, Michael Diamond – *Senior Warden*, Jennifer Ezell – *Junior Warden*, Nelson Frick, John Heltzel, Sue-Ellen Johnson, Christopher Paul, John Ezell – *Treasurer*, Lavonne Bieber – *Clerk* and The Rev. Nathan Speck-Ewer – *Rector* and The Rev. Maly Hughes - *Priest Executive*

Absent: Madeleine Gerdes, Lianne Mintz and Sandy Watkins

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. The meeting began with prayer and Dwelling in the Word (Luke 20:1-12).

**Item of Business #1 – January & February Minutes**

Motion: To accept the January and February Minutes.  
Moved: Christopher Paul  
Seconded: Michael Diamond  
Passed unanimously

**Item of Business #2 – Rector's Report**

Nathan reported that the Equipping Team has started in covenant and that Maly is meeting with her Edification Team. He also noted that he is meeting with a group of men who are not currently involved with a covenant group. Nathan reported there will be a Safe Guarding our Children Training on April 25th and everyone is encouraged to attend. He also reminded the Vestry of the Bishop's visit on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Item of Business #3 – Budget Review**

John distributed the financial balance sheet and went through it step by step for the new Vestry members and as a refresher for current Vestry members.

**Item of Business #4 – Treasurer's Report**

John reported that the revenues for January and February were \$6,680 (5.8%) over the budget. This was due to pledge revenues being \$11,750 (18.5%) over the budget and plate income is ahead by \$383 (15%). Also we are less than budgeted for Preschool however this should catch up in the Fall when the new tuition rates take effect. Expenses for January and February were slightly higher than budgeted. Total operating expenses YTD are \$4,412 (3.6%) over budget. This is due to salaries and benefits being 10% over budget primarily due to timing of staff benefit payments. Music is over by 141% (\$541), but this is a small budget line and we paid some annual expenses that will not recur this year. We budgeted for a net deficit for January and February of \$6,993 and ended the period with a net deficit of \$4,725. In summary, we are \$2,268 better than expected. We ended February with approximately \$296,000 in cash and investments, of which \$215,000 is restricted. Activity in the restricted funds primarily consisted of a sale of a columbarium niche and payment for the Women's Retreat deposit.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report  
Moved: Jennifer Ezell  
Seconded: Christopher Paul  
Passed unanimously

**Item of Business #5 – Vestry Agenda**

Nathan reviewed the Vestry Agenda 2009-2010 which was developed by Beto, Nelson and he based on the brainstorming meeting we had with the consultant in February. The agenda consists of 5 sections 1) Grow and learn together (Dwelling in the Word and helpful teaching when we meet), 2) Communicate, 3) Discern, 4) Review and 5) 3<sup>rd</sup> year's plan Vestry retreat (next February).

The agenda for April will consist of:

- Rector's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Parish Buzz
- Mutual Ministry Review - Beto
- Team Ministry Message - Michael
- Kingdom Concept
- Briefings

It was noted that our April meeting falls on Maundy Thursday therefore we will meet on Thursday, April 2.

Motion: To adopt the Vestry Agenda

Moved: John Heltzel

Seconded: Beto Casellas

Passed unanimously

There, being no further business, following Thanks, Scripture and Prayer, the meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Motion: To adjourn

Moved: Christopher Paul

Seconded: Michael Diamond

Passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,  
Lavonne Bieber, Clerk