

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting
St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Thursday, October 11, 2007**

Present: David Foster – *Senior Warden*, Darlene Frick, Nan Fuller – *Junior Warden*, John Harrison, Paul Hayter, Ross Johnson, Lianne Mintz, Jenny Nathan, Bill Shreve, Sandy Watkins, John Ezell – *Treasurer*, Lavonne Bieber – *Clerk*, The Rev.'s Nathan Speck-Ewer – *Rector* and Maly Hughes - *Priest Executive*

Guest: David Wilde

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. with Evening Prayer.

Item of Business #1: Acceptance of September 2007 Minutes

Motion: To accept the September 2007 Minutes.

Moved: Ross Johnson

Seconded: John Harrison

Passed unanimously.

Item of Business #2: Treasurer's Report

John reported that revenues for September were \$16,130 (20.1%) over budget and year-to-date revenues are \$9,442 (1.4%) under budget. This is due to pledge revenues being \$16,357 (28.8%) over budget and year-to-date being \$18,338 (3.8%) under budget. Year-to-date Plate income is over budget by \$2,743 (12.2%). Operating expenses were very close to budget, with year-to-date expenses being \$32,992 (4.9%) under budget. Year-to-date salaries and benefits are under budget due to timing differences. Hospitality, Facilities/Buildings and Preschool are all over budget by more than \$500. Year-to-date, our overall General Administration expenses are 6.2% under budget. We are running an actual surplus of \$11,333 versus a budgeted deficit of \$12,216. We ended the month with approximately \$253,700 in cash and investments of which \$204,377 is restricted.

John noted the Finance Committee will be meeting on October 22 to begin budgeting for 2008 and to analyze the 2007 results for necessary budget amendments.

Motion: To accept the Treasurer's Report

Moved: Darlene Frick

Seconded: Lianne Mintz

Passed unanimously.

Item of Business #3: Gourmet Dinner

Paul reported that things are moving along, but we need to push ticket sales next week. The dinner menu has been decided and is posted on the web. Traci Kohler decorated the bulletin board near Edwards Hall. He also noted that tickets can be purchased on-line. We have about 15 items for the auction so far, with a few pending confirmation, but can definitely use more.

Item of Business #4: Stewardship Letters

David noted that all the letters were in. Maly also reported the pledge cards were inserted in each letter in a separate envelope.

Item of Business #5: Missional Ecclesiology and Policy

Nathan invited David Wilde to join us to answer any questions regarding the Community Connection Outreach Vision, Tenets, Concerns 2007 document which Kristin Bromm sent to the Vestry on behalf of the Community Connection Outreach group. Also prior to the meeting, Nathan distributed a couple additional documents to review prior to the meeting; 1) First Person: Structuring to grow, not plateau and 2) Toward a Relevant Missiology. At the meeting he distributed and reviewed a document outlining the Participation & Giving Trends of the parish from 1996 to 2006. Nathan noted we are currently on a plateau and that we need to determine what we need to do to get off the plateau. The

Vestry discussed in length about the former Social Services group and where we are heading with the new Community Connection Outreach group. Nathan feels that the community is a mission and that we should not pre-constrain ourselves by allocating fixed percentages to program areas. Nathan will be meeting with the Community Connection Outreach group on November 6 to discuss with them a proposed policy of where the Vestry feels we are headed. The Vestry will finalize a policy at the November meeting.

The Marketing Study Presentation and Preschool Plan agenda items were postponed until the November meeting due to the time.

There, being no further business, following Good News and Thanks, the meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

Motion: To adjourn
Moved: Ross Johnson
Seconded: Bill Shreve
Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lavonne Bieber, Clerk