

Holy Family Episcopal Church
5038 Hyland Avenue
San Jose, CA 95127
Vestry Meeting
April 28, 2018
10:00 AM

Opening Prayer was offered by The Rev. Ruth Casipit Paguio at 10:10 AM

Present: John Bower, Jane Pomeroy, The Rev. Lucie Thomas, Nancy Brock, John LeSchofs, Lucia Meneses, Marge Smith and Gloria Duncan.

Absent: Gary Thomas (Senior Warden), Lita Thomas, Ian Greensides, and Martin Ayala Hernandez

Agenda: the agenda was approved with additions:

- ✓ American Indian Health
- ✓ Mandala
- ✓ Jane's Support Group
- ✓ Boy Scout: Eagle Project
- ✓ Website: locate Mission Statement for Retreat

Minutes of 3/11/2018 were approved with additions: 1) Include Marge Smith as present; add insurance before the word policy in Treasurer's report.

Treasurer's Report: Marge reported that the grant from the Diocese is up to date. Fundraising from last years' T-shirts will cover the cost of this year. Permits from the City of San Jose are posted in the office. We need to call the Chancellor's office regarding our rights when replacing a rusty sign in the yard where pole is already there. Our neighbor does not want Sign in his yard! We remain 20 per cent behind on Our pledges, which is about. \$2,000. (*This report is Available upon request*).

Unfinished Business

1. Bathrooms: John LeSchofs reported that the total to date to upgrade the restrooms Was \$8,747.07 John will give Marge receipts for these costs. He has also been kind enough to touch up the paint in the restrooms. Repairs to the irrigation system will begin next week and shall cost around \$300. We will need to update the plumbing in the Conference room John also contacted the roofing company for a quote. The Buildings and Grounds committee plans to meet next week.
2. Piedmont property: Rev. Ruth reported that this property will close of 5/15/2018 with the highest bid of \$705,000. It has been suggested that we ask the Finance Committee for suggestions to increase this investment, while having some parts of it liquid for maintenance and improvements.
3. Immigration Grant \$5,000: Rev. Ruth reported that the grant came from the National Church. We regret that due to health issues, Ian Greensides has to take a leave from the Vestry. Keep Ian in your prayers. We shall look for another person to administer the grant.
4. Office Help: Rev. Ruth reported that Ana Gawrosch works in the office 2 days per week—Tuesdays and Thursdays for 8 hours; she has been given keys to the office, the computer and the church.
5. Vestry Retreat: Has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 10, 2018 at 1:30-5:00 PM

New Business

1. Rev. Lucie plans to retire at the end of June 2018. She will vacation in July. Rev. Lucie plans to meet with Rev. Ruth to discuss more details. Rev. Lucie is willing to be a supply priest on Sunday.
2. Assistant Priest: Rev. Ruth reported that The Rev. David Starr could possible work half time and would not receive health insurance. He could possibly work with the 12:30 service with the contract beginning in July and August 2018. The other names could possibly travel from Watsonville or Foster City.
3. Hawaiian Dinner & Dance/Fund raising: Rev. Ruth reported that since there is a conflict, we shall reschedule for June 30, 2018. Tickets are priced--\$25 for adults and \$12 for children.

4. 10:00 AM Musician: Rev. Ruth will talk to Sally LeSchofs Nancy suggested that we advertise on *Next Door*.
5. Water delivery & Pink china: Nancy Brock has found a maintenance free water system that she would like the Vestry to consider. It is a 57 gallon direct cooler with cost of \$25 per month. The Brock's are willing to donate the \$25 per month, however, we need more information, such as the time frame that is required, and the amount of space this unit would require. Nancy moved that we rent the water unit on a trial basis for 6 months for \$10 per month, Jane seconded. MSC Nancy Brock will be working with John LeSchofs with the project. An announcement will be made at the church services regarding this project. Nancy brought another concern to the Vestry which could be a possible liability. The pink china which St. Philip's has had for a number of years (and no one claims), is heavy and it gets hot when placed in the microwave. It was suggested that we run an ad in the church bulletin to see if anyone was interesting in acquiring this china. Jane moved and it was seconded that we offer the pink china to the congregations, if no one accepts it, we shall donate to Goodwill or the Big Saver etc. MSC We have Corelle to replace the china. Rev. Lucie shall also keep a set for display purposes.
6. ECW Contribution and Deanery request: The Deanery requested \$25 from all parishes for copies and other expenses. There was a request of \$150 each, from all parishes by Diane Lovelace for ECW, but since this request "fell upon deaf ears", we shall work with the congregations. It was moved by Jane Pomeroy and seconded by Nancy that we donate \$150 to ECW and encourage our 3 congregations to donate. MSC
7. Joint Services---May, June, and July: Since some families are away during this time, the Vestry would like all to consider a summer schedule. One service at 11:00 AM! A special email reminder will be sent out as to the congregations.
8. Other:
 - A. American Indian Health: need to meet quarterly. The fence behind this office needs to be checked. The amount of their contribution needs to be increased by 3%. There are issues which need to be discussed: Will the group need one office or two offices? Shall the new

contract be extended to five years to \$559, with \$40 for utilities? What about the usage of the sweat lodge?

- B. Mandala: want a water review to determine the location of leaks. Should standard rate apply? Will rate be lower in winter when utilities are turned off? Next meeting May 15, 2018 at 11:00 AM
- C. Jane Pomeroy's Support Group: meet every 3rd Wednesday (June 20, July 18, 2018 from 1:00-2:30 PM (at one time American Parkinson's Disease Group?) Questions arose about liability issues and waivers. Rev. Ruth will ask James Booth about these issues.
- D. Boy Scout—Eagle Project—this request came from Mandala. Mandala and John LeSchofs will be in contact with one another about this project.
- E. Website: St. Philip's is no longer there! We need a copy of our Mission Statement for our Retreat as requested by The Rev. Canon Brian Nordwick.

Next Meeting: May 20, 2018 at 1:30 PM (**Pentecost**)

Calendar:

- *May 13, 2018* *Mother's Day*
- *May 15, 2018* *Piedmont Property closes*
- *June 10, 2018* *Vestry Retreat 1:30-5:00 PM*
- *June 30, 2018* *Hawaiian Dinner Dance*

Adjourned at 1:40 PM with a closing prayer by The Rev. Lucie Thomas

Respectfully Submitted

Gloria Duncan
Vestry Secretary