

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church  
Bishop's Committee  
January 7, 2021

The Bishop's Committee meeting was opened with a prayer lead by Fr. Bill Fulton

Attendees present were Vicar Bill Fulton, Deacon Bill Thaete, Penny Whitney, Peter Stockwell, John Stockwell, Blaine Morgan, Dave Peterson, Jim Foley, David Wilkinson, Chelsea Reeder and Carolyn Sorrell. David Sorrell joined as a visitor.

Fr. Bill led a Bible study on Mark 12:38-40.

The corrected minutes of the January 2021 BC meeting were accepted. (M,S,P)

David Sorrell informed the BC regarding an overload of the septic tank as a result of high water drainage from the rental house sump pump following a week of excessive rain. After some adjustment and a good report from the septic tank people, David will check the septic tank periodically.

Treasurer's report

\_\_\_Jim Foley reported that our December contributions were considerably short of the amount budgeted, leaving our end of year balance \$13,000 in the red. A full annual report is being prepared for the Zoomed annual meeting on January 30.

Fr. Bill and Jim will work on screen sharing to allow for the presentation.

**Old Business**

Annual meeting

The BC had a discussion with questions and modifications for the Special Rules of Order for the electronic annual parish meeting. Modifications included were:

- The scribe will be assigned to tally the number of attendees with help from the vicar/host.
- Chelsea Reeder volunteered to monitor the chat list.
- Twenty minutes before the business part of the meeting, the attendees will be trained on the use of chat, polling, raise hand, and making motions through chat.
- The revised Special Rules of Order will be sent to the congregation prior to the meeting.

The corrected Rules of Order were accepted unanimously (M,S,P)

Nominations

Accepted nominations now include: Loretta McGinley, Delores Perreira, Julie Sherwin.

Chelsea will check with Cris McCarty

David Wilkinson will check with Bob and Joann Richardson

We will also open the nominations up at the annual meeting.

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Upon receipt of a letter from congregant, Steve Fabry, the BC further discussed plans for a Land Acknowledgement Statement. It was suggested that we need to keep the statement simple and meaningful, without words of reparation, ownership or apology, but primarily to acknowledge and

honor our unique heritage. It was also suggested that we should go to the congregation for their comments, as well as to one of the local native tribe members, before making a statement on behalf of St. Antony's.

### **New Business**

#### Vicar's vacation days

The motion to roll over 10 days of the vicar's unused vacation from 2020 to 2021 was passed unanimously by the BC. (M,S,P)

#### Reports from Wardens and Commissions

Peter Stockwell is making plans for a Zoomed Mardi Gras meeting with the congregation on Feb. 16. More will soon be revealed to the congregation.

Penny Whitney reminded us that we need to set a day for the 2021 BC retreat. It was decided that a Zoomed retreat shall be held on the morning of Feb. 20, Saturday, at 10 o'clock.

As there was no further business, the BC meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Submitted by  
Carolyn Sorrell