

St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
Minutes of the Bishop's Committee
February 11, 2021 via ZOOM

The Bishop's Committee meeting was opened with a prayer lead by Deacon Bill Thaete
Attendees present were Vicar Bill Fulton, Deacon Bill Thaete, Penny Whitney, Peter Stockwell, John Stockwell, Jim Foley, Esther Osborne, Carolyn Sorrell, Julie Sherwin, Loretta McGinley, Dave Peterson, and Dolores Perreira. Emily Nickerson joined via phone

Fr. Bill lead a Bible study on Isaiah 58:4b-9b

Review of Minutes:

Fr. Bill announced that there are Five new members and advised of two corrections for the dates on the last BC minutes. The date of the BC minutes should have been listed on January 14th instead of January 7th and the acceptation of the BC minutes should have stated December 2020 instead of January 2021. Penny W. made a motion to move to accept the 1/14/21 minutes with the corrections that was mentioned; Esther O. seconded. Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim F. reported how the report will be viewed as he will transition from QuickBooks into a nonprofit accounting methodology, so it will look different. Assets will be broken down to restricted and unrestricted funds, so when people make donation it will track for restricted or for specific purposes to help facilitate that. Esther O. made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, Loretta M. seconded. Motion Passed.

Questioned asked by Peter S. made a request for those who wanted to switch to electronic giving on doing a refresher course and Jim F. acknowledged yes. Additional note on Treasurer's Report was Vicar Bill asked Jim F. if he wanted to have a motion to approve on moving \$2,100 from DIF and acknowledged yes, then Vicar Bill and Jim gave a little "FYI" to the new members about the DIF, how it works and what this money transfer is for and therefore noted this was a little bookkeeping step that needed to be approved and motion passed.

Old Business:

BC Retreat on Saturday, February 20, 2021 from 10:00 am
Vicar Bill mentioned what the agenda will be for the BC Retreat (Team Building and Goal Setting sessions). We will attempt to start at 10am and go from there to see if we can do it all in one shot or maybe split it in the morning and afternoon.

New Business:

Election of People's Warden, Clerk, and discussion on Commissions:

Vicar Bill shared one of the things that the By Laws states is that on the first meeting of the BC that the Vicar is to appoint a Bishop's Warden and therefore, appointed Peter Stockwell as he accepted.

Questioned was asked by Esther O. on Mutual Ministry Review and Penny explained that it is our Annual Report Card as to how we are doing as a BC and Vicar Bill shared the purpose of the Mutual Ministry Review is to review our Ministry and see how we are doing so if there any problems it can be addressed or a way to give people a chance to make an expression.

Election of People's Warden - Vicar Bill reconfirmed with Penny that she would be willing to run again and said yes. Vicar Bill expressed that Penny has done a great job for it and seems to be a natural for it. Motion Passed.

Election of the Clerk – Vicar Bill shared and read the role and responsibility of the Clerk. He also removed a few responsibilities as Linda R. has been doing them and confirmed that the responsibility of the Clerk is taking minutes and sending them off. Dolores P. has offered to accept the Clerk position. Motion Passed.

Discussion of Commissions – Vicar Bill shared the BC Commissions needed which are: Stewardship, Pastoral Care, Outreach, Welcoming, Communications, Faith Formation, Parish Life, Environment and New Facilities. Peter S. read the role and responsibilities. Vicar Bill mentioned that these are traditional, and some may require more work than others, but we do not have to have each commission every year and it is possible for people to have joint commissions to share.

Julie S., Esther O., and Loretta M. shared interests in some Commissions and discussed maybe combining certain ones together. Peter S. commented that most of the commission's oversea responsibilities. Penny W. also commented on Julie S. for Vacation Bible Study & Dolores P. on experience with BC in Hawaii. Dolores P. commented that she can assist in other areas and that working together we can accomplish anything. Vicar Bill shared that under these Commissions we must do what works for each individual and shared that John S. will continue as New Facilities and acknowledged about Deacon Bill T. on his role.

Reports from Wardens and Commissions:

More to discuss on the BC Retreat on Saturday, February 20th

BC meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm

Submitted by Dolores Perreira