



CCGP Vestry Meeting

Monday, December 7, 2015

Attendees: Sandy Baruah, Fred DeHaven, David Gaskin, Mike Hix, Lynnette Iannace, Karen Kienbaum, Scottie Knight, Mark Lorenger, Lisa MacLean, Nancy Osborn, John Snyder, Donald Sweeny, Tracey Torosian, Fr. Drew Van Culin, Brendan Walsh, and Ed White.

Absent: No one.

Also present: Scott Hanoian, Rev'd. Vicki Hesse, Rev'd. Areeta Bridgemohan, Patsy Gotfredson, and Jennifer Fozo

Summary of action taken:

- Approved the minutes of the October 5, 2015 meeting
- Approved the Housing Allowances for Father Drew, the Rev. Vicki Hesse, and the Rev. Areeta Bridgemohan.
- Executive Session Held (minutes for Executive Session held in confidence)

Call to Order and Opening Prayer

Call to order: 7:10 by Father Drew VanCulin.

Tracey Torosian offered the opening prayer.

Celebration of Wins

The Christmas party last Friday evening was wonderful.

The upcoming ordination of Areeta.

The Gifts and Greens event was a big success.

Vicki and Areeta are in attendance tonight.

The recent concert at Christ Church was wonderful and very well attended. Scott's first time conducting the Choral Union was a success.



Discussion

Vestry held an Executive Session discussion.

Decisions

Following some discussion, David Gaskin offered the following three motions:

WHEREAS, The Rev'd Thomas Andrew K Van Culin, is employed exclusively as a minister of the Gospel by Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Christ Church Grosse Pointe provides Fr. Van Culin with rent-free use of a church-owned rectory as a portion of the compensation paid for the services that he renders to the church in the exercise of his ministry; and

WHEREAS, Fr. Van Culin incurs expenses for living in church-owned housing; therefore it is hereby

RESOLVED, that \$50,000 of the annual compensation to be paid to Fr. Van Culin in calendar year 2016 be designated as a housing allowance pursuant to Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$50,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar 2016 and all future years unless otherwise provided for by the Vestry. Clergy Housing Allowance Resolution

WHEREAS, The Rev'd Vicki Hesse, is employed exclusively as a minister of the Gospel by Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Christ Church Grosse Pointe provides The Rev'd Vicki Hesse with rent-free use of a church owned rectory as a portion of the compensation paid for the services that she renders to the church in the exercise of her ministry; and

WHEREAS, The Rev'd Vicki Hesse incurs expenses for living in church-owned housing; therefore it is hereby

RESOLVED, that \$6,000 of the annual compensation to be paid to The Rev'd Vicki Hesse in calendar year 2016 be designated as a housing allowance pursuant to Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$6,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar 2016 and all future years unless otherwise provided for by the Vestry.



WHEREAS, The Rev'd Areeta Bridgemohan, is employed exclusively as a minister of the Gospel by Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Christ Church Grosse Pointe provides The Rev'd Areeta Bridgemohan with rent-free use of a church-owned rectory as a portion of the compensation paid for the services that she renders to the church in the exercise of her ministry; and

WHEREAS, The Rev'd Areeta Bridgemohan incurs expenses for living in church-owned housing; therefore it is hereby

RESOLVED, that \$12,000 of the annual compensation to be paid to The Rev'd Areeta Bridgemohan in calendar year 2016 be designated as a housing allowance pursuant to Section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the designation of \$12,000 as a housing allowance shall apply to calendar 2016 and all future years unless otherwise provided for by the Vestry

These motions were seconded by Mark Lorenger and passed

More Discussion

The Rev. Vicki Hesse Introduced the Vestry to Connection Cards which will be placed in the pew racks to collect information on guests, and to invite members and guests to communicate with the clergy and staff. This idea was favorably received by the entire Vestry. Changes to the Connection Cards can be suggested and may be included in the next printing.

Father Drew led discussion on the status of our Vestry nominations. We are slightly behind our schedule at this time, but Father Drew is working hard to get the required nominations.

Father Drew gave a brief report on the status of our stewardship campaign. 143 pledges have been received to date out of a goal of 250. The average pledge is up about 10% compared to 2015.

Approval of Minutes

Brendan Walsh made a motion to approve the Minutes of the November 2, 2015 meeting. The motion was seconded by David Gaskin and passed.

Brendan Walsh also offered the closing prayer.



The meeting was adjourned at 10:02.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward L White, Secretary

The next meeting of the Vestry will be held on January 4, 2015. It will be a social event at a place to be determined.

Documents submitted:

Minutes of the Monday, November 2, 2015 Vestry Meeting Rector's

Report dated October 2015

Senior Warden's report dated December 7, 2015

Music Ministry Report dated August 2015

Antiques, Garden and Design Show Review

Children Youth and Family Ministry Report dated October 2015 Business

Office Report dated October 2015

Conservation Trust Minutes dated October 22, 2015

Building and Grounds Report dated October 2015

Resolutions for clergy housing allowance for Father Drew, the Rev. Vicki Hesse, and the Rev.

Areeta Bridgemohan.