

Parish of St. Andrew's Minutes of Annual Meeting-January 29, 2012

The meeting opened with prayer led by Rev. Mike Conrad at 12:15 p.m.

2. Renee Fraser moved that Rev. Mike chair the meeting, seconded by Wendy Wells. Motion carried.

3. Rick Orlando moved that Angela Miller act as secretary for the meeting, seconded by Rick Morash. Motion carried.

4. It was moved by Rick M. , seconded by Gordon that the minutes from last year's annual meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

5. Unfinished business from previous meeting- Gordon asked for an update in regards to the sale of St. Luke's Church. Doug Gillett said previous offer is dead. St. Luke's property is currently being surveyed. It is necessary to further investigate other ways to sell the property. Steven Ashton is currently using St. Luke's church to hold services and has agreed to take responsibility of repairs and insurance for as long as they are using St. Luke's.

6. Rev. Mike feels St. Luke's property is still an asset. Rick Morash complimented Doug Gillett for all his hard work. Rev. Mike stated that we need to look at the storage our archives, and at our next meeting we need to set up a committee to look after this.

7. Communications- Renee read 2 letters received through our outreach committee. The first Thank you letter came from Phoenix House wishing to extend their sincerest appreciation for all the holiday gifts they received from our parish. Renee expressed how wonderful it is to see first hand the youth of the Phoenix Family have new hope for a future. The second letter came from Feed Nova Scotia. They wished to thank our parish for the gift of \$407.00. Rev. Mike advised that the final total of donations for Feed NS was \$707.00.

8. Insurance coverage's -no comments

9. New business- It was moved by Don, seconded by Rev. Judy that the committee reports be accepted as written. Motion carried.

10. Rectors Report as circulated. Rev. Mike stated how incredible it is to have such a team of dedicated volunteers working around the parish. We are such a positive parish. Tim Edwards also added his Thank you to everyone.. Rev. Mike feels confident to go on vacation and leaving the parish in such good hands---

12. Wardens report-As Renee steps down as Senior Warden, she thanked Rick Orland for his great job as junior Warden. Renee also went on to say Thank you to Rev. Mike, Rev. Judy, Marilyn, all the people of the Parish and God.

Rev. Mike thanked Renee for the wonderful job she did as senior Warden.

13. Jinny Giza's name is to be added to the Pastoral Care Committee members list. Connie apologized for the oversight. The memorial plaque that was donated by the Ladies Group in memory of "Janet Benight", should have read-"in memory of loved ones". Wendy stated that she has sent in many stories to the Diocesan Times, however none have been published so far, she will continue to send in stories.

14. Budget for 2012- Keith addressed the meeting on the 2012 budget. In order to show a balanced budget we had to transfer funds from another account. Keith feels it is up to all of the congregation to solve our deficit problem. As a parish we need to think of ways to generate money and to spend less. Keith feels we need to put more effort into our ideas to save money. He said it is so wonderful to see new people involved in the church. Bev has exceeded his expectations as the new treasurer.

Rick O. said there is a meeting scheduled on Saturday, March 3, 10:00a.m. The finance committee and Parish Council members are expected to be there.

Gordon Hamlin commented on the given deficit budget. Tim said it is good the income is up, however the expenses are also up. Rev. Mike said we have to look at both sides of the coin. A special meeting is necessary to discuss this.

Doug Gillett asks that on pg. 34 the Ways and means budget needs to be revisited. Keith explained that the numbers are correct on pg. 29, and that pg. 34 is the worksheet. Doug Gillett understood the explanation. Bernard Conrad asked about the music shows. Rev Judy replied that the attendance of our parishioners at the shows have been down.

15. Election of Junior Warden-Renee nominated Jean Schwartz, seconded by Rick Morash. Motion carried.

16. Election of Secretary-Rick Orlando nominated Angela Miller, seconded by Gordon Hamlin. Motion carried.

17. Election of Member at Large (1 year term)- Wendy Wells volunteered for this position.

18. It was moved by Rick and seconded by Linda that we accept the nomination report as written.

--Joanne Rector has offered to organize Shrove Tuesday.

--Rev. Judie is concerned that the Spiritual development committee should be more involved in the needs and activities of the Sunday School. This is also to include their budget. Rev. Judy feels the Sunday School should not have to raise money. Wendy said the Ladies group often donates items to other parts of the church, including the Sunday School.

No other elections

Ken commented that the basement should not have been double booked, making it necessary to hold the Annual Council Meeting up in the church.

Rev. Mike thanked Nicole for her many dedicated years as Parish Council Secretary. Her time and hard work was certainly appreciated, and she will be missed.

Rick O. said a special Thank you to Renee and complimented her in respect to her Christian attitude in all that she does. Renee is a true follower of the Covenant.

We were blessed today to have the honor of saying a special heartfelt Thank you to Flos MacFarlane and Weldon Rhyno for their many years of dedicated service to this parish.

And finally, a special thank you went to Myril for the building of the steps to the organ.

Keith moved to adjourn at 1:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Miller

Parish Secretary

Parishioners Present:

Keith Fraser

Donna Ruggles

Rev. Judy

Connie Hudson

Anne Fraser

Bev Dellapinna

Dave Dellapinna

Sandra Cowie

Flos MacFarlane

Jinny Giza

Helen Clattenburg

Bernard Conrad

Judy Gillett

Doug Gillett

Linda Strachan

Don Schwartz

Jean Schwartz

Jim Polkinghorn

Sharon Polkinghorn

Frances Edwards

Erica Orlando

Wendy Wells

Rob Elford

Jo-Anne Rector

Brian Higgins

Bev Higgins

Dorothy Richardson

Ken Richardson

Bev Pattison

Myril Wells

Allan Francis

Tim Edwards

Lloyd Miller

Rick Morash

Marilyn Hamlin

Gordon Hamlin

Renee Fraser

Angela Miller

Rick Orlando

Rev Mike