

Parish of St. Andrew's Timberlea
Minutes from March 10th Meeting

Present: Nicole Chenell Rev. Mike Conrad Rick Orlando
Rick Morash Linda Strachan Rev. Judie Lafford
Renee Fraser Bev Higgins Angela Miller

Regrets: Doug Gillett Jo-Anne Rector

1. Renee welcomed Bev and Rick O. to council and welcomed back Rick M. Rev. Mike opened with prayer at 7:05pm.
2. Rick M. requested to add discussion on the Mission Statement board, schedule for sides persons, organist, some books need Go Now In Peace added to the back cover and why there was no meeting last month.
3. Rev. Judie moved the approval of the agenda with the above items added, seconded by Joanne H. Motion Carried.
4. Joanne H. moved the approval of the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Rick O. Motion Carried.
5. Soup Kitchen: Nicole read report from Lloyd. On Feb. 19th we served 130 people. 6 members of our congregation assisted him. Thank you to Beth Foote who assisted with the pick-ups. A few stews were left over and have been frozen for a time when they are short. This is the last report until Sept as we serve next on July 2nd 2011.
6. Rectors Report: As circulated.
7. Wardens Report: As circulated.
8. Council Ministries and Reports:
9. Treasurers Report: Rev. Mike asked if there were a logbook for the furnace for insurance purposes, this item would be taken to property. Bev will also look into this and provide a copy to the property committee and bring to council. Rev. Mike will provide a list of the committees for Bev and Rick O.
10. It was moved by Rick M. and seconded by Rick O. that the treasurer's report for Jan and Feb be approved. Motion Carried.
11. Ways & Means: Joanne Hanley read report. Their year started with two County Music Shows which the group ran a canteen in the kitchen and the money raised from the door went to the Ways & Means: Jan \$406.16 and Feb: \$340.80. Pancake supper was held on March 8 and raised \$899.63. March 26th they are having a Coffee house in the church with refreshments being served, this is a free will offering. Rev. Judie added that there would be a variety of music at this event. Joanne H. moved that Parish Council approve the wine tasting and silent auction scheduled for May 14th, seconded by Linda. Motion Carried.
12. Property Report: Have not met yet but will have a discussion about the oil tank.
13. Spiritual Development Report: They have not met yet. At our council meeting on Jan. 20th 2011 we approved the spending of \$15.00 for bibles for each confirmation candidate, we were able to obtain these for \$5.99 each. It was moved by Rick M. that we purchase another case of bibles to have on hand for special occasions, seconded by Joanne H. Motion Carried.

14. Sunday School Report: Katherine Tutton from the puppet ministry will be with our Sunday school on March 20th as we are planning a puppet show for Easter Sunday. It was to be noted how well the Sunday school children behaved during the confirmation service.
15. Choir Report: Rev. Mike read report from Edith. The choir continues to practice on Wednesday evenings, weather permitting and have started working on Lent and Easter hymns. The choir is very grateful for the interest shown by Rev. Judy who is present for most practices and can often answer questions that may arise regarding the services. The choir members and hopefully the congregation enjoyed Tim Edwards flute selections during the confirmation service; he and the organist are working on more pieces to play at another time.
16. Pastoral Care Report: Rev. Mike read report from Connie Hudson, activities as follows:
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| Phone calls: | (Jan) 39 | (Feb) 31 |
| Visits: | (Jan) 14 | (Feb) 23 |
| Cards: | (Jan) 5 | (Feb) 4 |
17. Ladies Group Report: Approx. 30 people attended the sleigh ride on Feb. 6th with bean, brown bread and hot dogs following in the church hall. Yard sale: April 30th. Their closing will be held on June 12th with a presentation of slides from the Oberammergau trip taken this year by several members of our congregation, this will be a potluck and is open to everyone. April 2nd the group is preparing a lunch for the Acts Theatre Society. Provided refreshments for a member's friend's funeral in which \$200.00 was donated. They helped with the confirmation on March 6th. The group has been invited to the Men's breakfast on May 7th. Thank you cards received from Rev. Ron, Rev. Judie and Renee for the Christmas gifts. They have received a request to provide refreshments on April 23rd for Betty & Bernie Conrad's 40th wedding anniversary and they are also providing refreshments for a funeral service being held in the church on March 14th.
18. Outreach Report: Renee reported that last month over \$100.00 was raised for the BLT Elementary breakfast program.
19. Stewardship: None
20. New/Special Business: Rick O. gave a presentation on establishing a Parish Endowment Fund; it is a good idea to have this policy set up in case we are in the situation of receiving this wonderful type of gift. There are several ways that are available for someone to give to the church such as, bequests in wills, charitable gifts, life insurance assignments also transfers of property which may include cash, stocks, bonds or real estate. The Parish would benefit from the interest from the investments that are held in trust with the Diocesan Center.

It was moved by Rick O. that we create a "Resolution to Create an Endowment Fund", seconded by Rev. Judie. Motion Carried.
The resolution letter was approved as written and signed by the Rector, the two Wardens and Parish Secretary and dated March 10th 2011.

21. Parish Council Retreat: This will be rescheduled.
22. New Business sponsored by Rick M:
- 1) Mission Statement Board: This cost \$16.09 to have plaque mounted at Costco (Rick M. donated this) would like to see another one done for the hall. Bev will look into getting another one done.
 - 2) Sides person Schedule: This will now be posted at the back of the church as well.

- 3) Organist: Rick M. wanted to know who pays for substitute organists when our organist is not available, it was explained that in the new contract it will state that Council is responsible to make sure that the replacement is paid and the rate is currently being discussed for the new contract. Currently the organist receives 4 weeks vacation and 3 sick days.
- 4) Expansion of the church: Rick M. mentioned that there was talk previously of expanding the church and he has these drawings, Rev. Mike requested that he bring them to council.
- 5) Book: Some books need Go Now In Peace added, Joanne H. and Renee would look after this and any books that have been donated and need to be thrown out, and the page with the donation will be removed and saved.
- 6) No Meeting in Feb: It was questioned why we did not meet last month. It was explained that we do not have to meet every month and Rev. Mike was away on vacation and felt that he had to be present for the first meeting of the year. The secretary will email those with email about the meetings and call those who do not have email.

23. Member At Large Position: As per the AGM we need to fill another member at large spot.

24. In Oct/Nov Rev. Mike applied to have Rev. David Delapinna made an honorary assistant priest for our parish we now have the license for this. Parish council will be commissioned on March 13th at the 10:30am service.

25. Survey for Same Sex Blessings: There will be info-gathering sessions held on March 20th at Trinity in Fairview and March 31st at St. Thomas. Rev. Mike showed a copy of an anonymous survey from another parish. Rev. Mike is going to work on a survey for our parish and we may possibly do a mail out for it as well.

26. At our AGM we discussed an Achieve Committee, Rev. Mike is going to look into getting more information on this. Renee will also contact Lorraine Slopek regarding this.

27. World day of prayer was well represented by our parish.

28. Outstanding Items: The attempt to sell St. Luke's is still going forward, we have received a deposit cheque of \$5000.00.

Linda moved adjournment at 9:05pm.

Our next meeting will be April 14th at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Chenell
Parish Secretary