

**St Mark's Episcopal Church**  
**Vestry Meeting**  
**December 21, 2009**

**Members present:** Father John, Kim McAtee, Thad Hunter, Jackie Hotle, Lyn George, Marco Rodriguez, Sue Blevins, Charlie Page, Traute Gilbert, and Mark Grothe

**Members Excused:** Brian Gross

**Members Absent:** Mark Mathern, Peter Nicolayson, Todd Wykert

Meeting opened with a prayer by Father John at 6:35.

**Approval of previous Vestry minutes:** The only error noted in the November minutes: the last name of members present for the meeting and when motions are made should be included.

**New Business:**

There are 4 members of the Vestry whose terms end this year; Charlie Page, Sue Blevins, Peter Nicolayson, and Todd Wykert. We need to start a search for replacements. Several names were brought up and various members of the vestry indicated that they would contact these persons to discern their interest in running for these positions.

It was asked if we could give an accounting of the gifts that we have given to Life Steps Campus.

**Financial report:** Kim McAtee presented the Treasurer's Report. She reported that the Outreach committee discovered that they were in arrears on several of their monthly payments to the following organizations:

Interfaith: \$1000; NG Emergency Support Fund: \$1000; Grocery Cards – School Nurses: \$1475; Little Roses Orphanages – Honduras: \$1000; Feed the Children – Honduras: \$500. Lyn George moved and Jackie Hotle seconded that these payments be made. Motion carried.

\$25,000 has been moved from Hilltop National Bank to Wy Central Federal Credit Union for cash flow purposes.

Charlie Page moved and Thad Hunter seconded that the treasurer's report be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

The Finance committee has requested that excess net income be moved back to the Veronda Account not to exceed the amount that was pulled from it. YTD transfers amount to \$45,722.87. Lyn George moved and Traute Gilbert seconded.

Motion carried

The proposed budget for 2010 was presented. As presented, there is an income shortfall of \$33,034.92. The question to take back to the Finance Committee is what direction they want the Vestry to go. While we have \$62,500 in reserve, we cannot continue to rely on sudden, last minute influxes of revenue to bail us out. The Finance Committee has stated that they are will to host a hearing in January. Marco Rodriguez and Sue Blevins will meet with the Finance Committee in January to prepare a presentation to give to the congregation on January 17, concerning the deficit. It was also suggested that this information be put in the newsletter as well as an announcement be made to the congregation.

**Ministry Reports:**

Stewardship Committee: no report

Fellowship Committee: The most recent event was the Stirrup pudding on the 13<sup>th</sup>. They have nothing scheduled in January

Building Committee: Their biggest concern is the rezoning hearing regarding the possible change from C-3 to R-4 for the St Anthony School. If this comes about the concern is possibly having low-income tenants in the vicinity of the day school.

Outreach Committee: No report

**Rector's Report:**

Fr. John presented us with a letter from HR Wilderness Camp. They are holding a fund drive to help keep the camp keep running. There has been a recent shortfall due to the lagging economy.

He reported that the Foundation's silent auction netted \$2594. This indicates that the auction was a success.

Since Fr. John is one of the candidates for Bishop, he will be involved with the Walk-About from Feb 24<sup>th</sup> through Mar 4<sup>th</sup>

We had a closing prayer at about 8:20 PM.

Next meeting will be held on Jan 18<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Grothe  
Clerk of Vestry