

PRESENT: Vestry members: Mmes. Aldrich, Bourque, Brown, McCall, Neveu, Sabatine. Messrs. Rice, Stiling.  
Treasurer: Gillhooley. ABSENT: Wooley Guest: Susan Harries

Senior Warden, Lee Brown opened with a prayer. Minutes from the November meeting were reviewed. **Larry Rice made a motion to approve the minutes - seconded by Fran McCall. Motion passed.**

The agenda was revised to include Susan Harries Christian Education report at the beginning of the agenda.

Susan reported that Sunday school is available for all different ages. At this time mostly older students have been coming, but if there is interest by the younger students and she knows ahead of time she will be sure to have age appropriate materials ready. The Epiphany play is coming up on Jan. 13 and the dress rehearsal will be on Jan. 11 after school or possibly a rehearsal on Jan. 5, this is still to be decided. The conflict on Jan. 5th is the Tundra event and it is unknown how many of the St. James youth will be attending that event out of town.

Treasurer's report – Ed Gillhooley reported that the finance committee had met and went over a proposed budget for 2008. Two of the differences in the proposed budget were dropping Anchor house from \$500.00 to 250.00 and dropping the heat bill budget to reflect last year's costs. **Dawn Aldrich made a motion to approve presentation of the proposed budget to the Annual Meeting. Sabatine seconded the motion. Motion passed**

**Motion was made by Steve Stiling , seconded by Larry Rice to have the bulletin include a line which indicates year to date receipts and another line which indicates the total amount withdrawn from the endowment fund. Motion passed.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Worship committee - **Motion was made by Linda Bourque seconded by Fran McCall to approve Seldon Collins as the Priest at the Detour Christmas service with the approval of the Detour vestry.**

ECW - Coffee hours have been a problem and it was decided that members of the ECW will have one of its members take the coffee hour the 1st Sunday of the month, pancake Sunday is the 2nd Sunday, mutual ministry will do it the 3rd Sunday and a member of the Vestry will do it the 4th Sunday. If there is a 5th Sunday, the coffee person will seek a volunteer.

Senior Warden Report - The vestry still needs at least one more person to fill the vacancies that will be created by the departure of those who are leaving the vestry. Annual meeting reports must be ready so that Pam can get them out to the congregation the week before the annual meeting. Therefore anyone who has a report must get it into the office as soon as possible. Lee has received a recommendation from the diocesan office that St. James obtain sexual misconduct liability insurance for 1,000,000.00. Pam will be asked to look at our current insurance coverage and investigate if we have anything currently and how much this additional coverage would cost. Lee discussed the standing committee discernment process. Lee will be studying the material that has been sent from the standing committee and will report on it at the annual meeting. There was some discussion about the governing group of the diocese. So far, they have not made any moves to hire a new Bishop. At this point, they continue to function and make decisions as a team without a specific leader.

Junior Warden: Larry reported on the fire alarm installation and the false alarms. Four alarms were replaced due to recalls in one zone, other zones will need replacing in time. If the fire alarm goes off in the future the alarms need to be looked at to see which one is not working properly before the alarms are turned off and reset. LeCerc contracting looked over the water problems over the bell tower and the organ area near the north chapel. It was determined the louvers in the bell tower needed to be modified and the chimney over the altar area needed flashing and to be tarred. The cost was 526.00 **Motion was made by Dawn Aldrich , seconded by Linda Bourque to take the money from the fuel budget to pay for leak repairs. Motion passed.**

Mutual Ministry - Discussion regarding letter to the congregation regarding Christmas services. It was decided that mutual ministry would send a letter regarding the times of the various Christmas services.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50.

The next meeting will be the Annual meeting on Jan. 20, 2008

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ruth Neveu  
Acting clerk of the Vestry