

PRESENT: Vestry Members: Mmes. DePlonty, Julius, McCall, Rice, Sabatine; Messrs. Galey; ABSENT: Ms. Rath; Messrs. Sare, Schumann; GUESTS: Dorothy Dansdill, Susan Harries.


1. Larry Rice opened with a prayer.
2. REVIEW AGENDA: Susan Harries had some things that she wanted added to Old Business.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: Dorothy Dansdill brought up the fact that for her to purchase plants and shrubs for the garden, she must get permission from the vestry. This can make it difficult sometimes when things become available. Such as fertilizer for shrubs, etc. After a lengthy discussion regarding the Altar Flower Fund. **Pat Julius made a motion to add a line-item in the budget in the amount of \$500 for Landscaping effective immediately. Sandy DePlonty seconded. Motion carried.**
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Sandy DePlonty made a motion to accept the minutes of August 21, 2011 as printed. Pat Julius seconded. Motion carried.**
5. TREASURER'S REPORT: Larry Rice stated in income was up \$613.14. Expenses are up also \$899.95. Larry discussed the budget preparations. The diocese is asking that the Eastern Region amount St. James pays be raised from \$10,000 to 40% of the Net Deposit Income (NDI). Larry is asking for approval of changing the budget to the 40% of the NDI for the Eastern Region. Sandy DePlonty agreed that we should budget the 40% in good faith and hope that we can meet our budget. Sandy is still working on a letter to the Diocesan Council asking for a waiver of the 21% so the 40% to the Region can be made. The August Financial Statement was placed on file.
6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
  - a. Christian Education: Susan Harries asked the vestry to approve the purchase of Bible Maps for Christian Education. It is a book of maps that range from 28" – 40" for \$39.95. **Sandy DePlonty made a motion to approve the purchase of the Book of Bible Maps for Christian Education. Fran McCall seconded. Motion carried.** Susan stated there were two students today in Sunday school. The budgeted item Diocesan Youth Programs of \$300 was going to be sent for the Youth camps.
  - b. Finance Committee: Larry Rice stated the church received a check for \$85,000 from the Estate of Patricia Thompson. \$75,000 was placed in the Endowment Fund Investment Portfolio with \$10,000 being left in the Endowment Checking Account for operating expenses of the church if needed. Pledge letters have been sent.
  - c. ECW: The ECW met last week and work bees have started on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am.
  - d. Endowment: The Endowment Fund was down by \$23,689.71 this past quarter.
  - e. Outreach Committee: Vestry Sunday Coffee Hours: 9/25 – Sharon Sabatine; 10/23 – Fran McCall; 11/27 – Pat Galey; 12/25 – None.
7. Sr. Warden's Report: NONE.
8. Jr. Warden's Report: Jean Austin has noticed a smell in the nursery. Clint needs to be told about this.

9. Mutual Ministry: The team was approached by Diane Cznek from LSSU that her dance class would like to have a liturgical dance during one of the 10am services. Rev. Bob Aldrich is working with Diane Cznek to set this up. It was suggested to have them during Advent and perhaps on Pancake Sunday. **Pat Julius made a motion to offer the invitation to the Diane Cznek from LSSU and her dance class to perform a liturgical dance during the 10am service. Fran McCall seconded. Motion carried.**
10. Old Business: Susan Harries brought up the fact that it isn't always convenient to get vestry permission to remove things such as communion ware and supplies from the church. It was also suggested that the book be kept in the Sacristy, where the Priests have easy access. Pam will also enter people borrowing tables etc. into this book. After a brief discussion, **Pat Galey made a motion to have a log book in the Sacristy where the Priests can sign things out so a record could be kept. Sharon Sabatine seconded. Motion carried.** Susan Harries stated Burt Purrington, diocese ERD representative, would like to come in late spring to present the Haiti Mission and Laurie's Fund. This would be open to the public. Susan stated
11. New Business: a. The next vestry meeting is Sunday, October 23 after the 10am service. This is the fourth Sunday of the month because the Diocesan Convention is the third Sunday in October.
12. **Sandy DePlonty made a motion to adjourn. Pat Julius seconded. Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned.

12:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pam Briglio,  
Clerk of the Vestry