

Emmanuel Episcopal
Church

Vestry Meeting
Minutes

May 16th, 2017

Present: Rev. Ellen Ekevag, Rev. David Jackson, Cindy Mottl, Suzanne Jasiak, Mary Pat Anderson, Dorren Gertsen-Briand, Jean Owen, (Larry Brongel - Treasurer) Lisa Enright, Kathleen Valenta, Mike Bolton, Judy Staiano (clerk)

Absent: Vicki Roe, Hendrik Roe, Bill Hoekwater

1. Formation

- a. Call to Order – 7.05 pm
- b. Opening Prayer by Jean Owen

Discussion of Chapter 2, incl handout on paradigms,

Chapter 2, The Old Paradigm

2. Information

- a. April Minutes – Motion by Kathleen Valenta to approve April minutes as/if amended. Seconded by Mike Bolton Motion Carried - unanimously

- b. Treasurer's Report – Larry Brongel

Operating cash level \$33,610 – it was a good collection at Easter, \$9 K

\$10 transfers to Fidelity

Linda Brongel agreed to be a counter, need another to make a team

Cindy Mottl moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Lisa Enright.
The report was unanimously accepted.

- c. Individual Reports

- i. Senior Warden – Cindy Mottl

Bella Voce not just a fundraiser, raises awareness of our church. Historically there has not been enough forward planning/saving. Vestry needs to learn from past vestry mistakes.

Experiences/mistakes/ideas should be passed on.

As a historic building, we should have been putting money away for large items ie. Organ, windows, roof, - reports (attached) shows statistics/examples of how much we would have now had the Vestry's of old invested. We must learn from that.

ii. Junior Warden – Sue Jasiak – with Jean Owen re David E. Weaver IV fund
Discussed the applicants for the DEW IV scholarships, but the committee is restricted and bound by the funds underwritten geographic local boundary. Rachel involved Chad Senuta, Youth representative from the Diocese, but they were limited by these boundaries. In our immediate neighbourhood there are not too many children in need. Limited choices for grantees, some controversial applicants due to the nature of the sport i.e contact sports not appropriate. More need in Brookfield, but that area is restricted. The committee is always looking for ideas, nominations, new grantee potential.

We should post on the website that grants are available. This year looking at Little League of La Grange. All will be presented/acknowledged on DEW IV Day – June 11th. The Jnr. Warden now becomes a committee member rather than chair, as can be too overwhelming. Need continuation. Need to contact Matt Longo to transfer the money from the fund for the recipients.

Summary – the DEW IV committee requests that that the territory be enlarged from their original resolution (geographically) – it should extend to the Diocese. Cannot sign tonight, but will vote on new resolution (attached) in next vestry meeting.

iii. Committee Liaison Report Highlights

1. Parish Life, discussed Pentecost Picnic set for June 4th

Rev. Ellen

The July Meeting, will not have enough voting members present for the DEW proposal – can vote by email.

Beds incident - discussed Sexual Assault occurrence in another church – no direct notification from Beds, despite assurances previously

After the Bella Voce concert, can we post an update on the POP project/progress. We should consult with Jenn V and Molly S, as they have experience with fund raising.

3. Discussion - Model – Planned Renegotiation Cycle

See notes for vestry discussion for cycle of renegotiation

Vestry questions for future Monthly Vestry meetings

July – Organ conversation – What does the vestry want to know /see from the Pipe Organ Project Committee each month?

How is the fundraising? How much has been raised? Any more information? What parts are being replaced? Would like a visible timeline. Fundraising Opportunities ongoing? Should we consult a professional? Would cost! We/ the parishioners would like to see a visual representation, would help to keep it moving forward.

August – Endowment discussion – What process should the vestry put forward for the use of endowment funds?

Provide fund over time information! Is there an acceptable minimum? If so what might that be? What would our income be on that amount on 5yr average? What events would justify using its funds? How would parishioners' opinion be sought?

September – Is there another process? What process should the vestry put forward for capital campaign projects approval?

What other processes should/could we use? Using our historical perspective, we should acknowledge other projects. What projects might be plan for in the future? How do we put money aside? How much should we 'reserve'?

There is \$21,000 in the Building Fund, reserved for major repairs and maintenance

4. Decision

Motion 1 part a – Lisa Enright made the motion to

Establish a Deacon's Discretionary Fund, to allow the Deacon (primarily Deacon Bill Rimkus) to allow him to help students in need, in memory of his late daughter, and in honor of his service to Emmanuel. There should be 2 signatories on the account – the Rector and the Deacon.

Mary Pat Anderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion-1, part b - Sue Jasiak made the motion to collect for this 'fund' on one Sunday. Dorren Gertsen Briand seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2 Mary Pat Anderson made the motion to

Move the balance of the Air-Conditioning Fund, \$3295.00, into the Pipe Organ Restoration Fund (*available as the air-conditioning project came in under budget), less \$100 for a commemorative plaque for the donors of the Air Conditioning, both as previously discussed and agreed by the Vestry

Lisa Enright seconded the motion which then passed unanimously.

5. Closing Prayer – Rev. Ellen

6. Meeting Adjourned – 8.54 pm

Upcoming Meeting/Event Schedule:

Sunday, May 21st, 3pm Bella Voce Concert

Sunday, May 21st, 7pm LT Varsity Concert - Mike Bolton agreed to open/close

Friday, May 26th, 6pm Student Recital – Kathleen Valenta agreed to open/close

Saturday, June 3rd, 9.30pm La Grange Pet Parade – Dorren attending with EEC postcards

Sunday, June 4th, Pentecost Mass on the Grass & Picnic & Baptism

June 5th – 25th Rev. Ellen Vacation

June 26th – 28th Rev. Ellen Cont. Ed @ Diocese

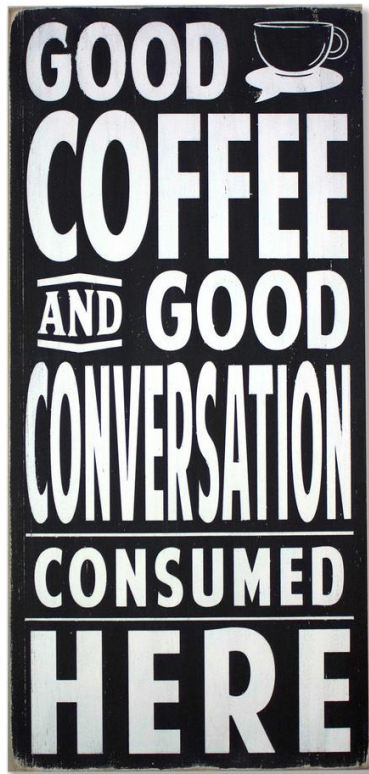
Thursday, June 29th, 7pm Rev. Dave Ordination & Reception

Guest preacher's Rev. David Weaver June 11th & DEW IV Collection Day
 Rev. Clint Moore III June 18th

Wednesdays in June & July Deacon Bill Rimkus Deacons Prayer Service

Upcoming Coffee Hour Schedule:

Sunday May 21st Vicki Roe
Sunday May 28th Hendrik
Sunday June 4th Pentecost Picnic at 10am
Sunday 4th, Summer volunteers begin –
 A reminder will be sent to each volunteer during the summer



**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR
OVER THE SUMMER!**

Over the summer we are asking 8amers and 10amers to host a coffee hour after your preferred service. Actually it's more refreshments than coffee.

During the summer it's customary to just have lemonade and some goodies after the service. If you are willing to host please sign up on Sunday!

Minutes submitted by Judy Staiano

Next All Committee Meeting is Thursday, August 10th

Next Vestry Meeting is Tuesday, August 15th