

St. Brendan the Navigator
Minutes of the Vestry/Renewal Team Meeting
October 24, 2017

Present: Lis Ingoldsby, Josephine Jacob, Pete Dane, Richard Paget, Miriam Antich, Peter Tarlton, Barbara Kourajian, and Father Edward Dufresne.

Senior Warden Lis Ingoldsby called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Fr. Dufresne offered an opening prayer.

Minutes

Pete Dane moved and Miriam seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the September 21st Vestry/Renewal Team meeting. The motion passed.

Conversation with Skip Greenlaw and Renewal Plan Discussion

Fr. Dufresne gave a report on the meeting he and Lis had with Skip Greenlaw on Saturday, October 14th to address Skip's concerns about his new role on the Pastoral Care and Welcoming Ministry and to address concerns about the whole Renewal Process.

A discussion about the Renewal Plan followed. We talked about listening to the body of the parish and to ask ourselves if we are in balance on the question of shared leadership. Fr. Dufresne suggested Vestry Advocates think of ourselves as a coach for our ministry for the next few months.

Report from Finance and Stewardship Ministry

Current Financial Statement

Pete Dane cautioned us not to be deluded by the bottom line showing we are ahead of our budget. We are ahead of revenue (as revenue is bunched in the summer), but we're not really ahead. It is likely we will probably make the \$86,000 in income. Another reason we are ahead is that Outreach hasn't expended what it usually does; if it does, we will have a deficit.

Pete stated that even if we break even, we still owe the Diocese \$13,000 in assessments. Fr. Dufresne suggested the full assessment should be budgeted in the financial performance sheet. There was discussion about paying half of that amount in this calendar year and the balance listed as an account payable for 2018. We will revisit this in December.

2018 Budget

The Finance and Stewardship Ministry would like to know the Vestry's priorities before they begin work on the 2018 budget. A lengthy discussion followed:

- Fr. Dufresne would like to sit down with the Finance & Stewardship Ministry to take them through the process of building a budget according to the goals the

