

# **St. Peter's by-the Sea Episcopal Church**

## **Morro Bay, California**

Vestry Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2010, Revised– Church Parish Hall

**In Attendance:** The Rev. Harriet Linville, Rector, Diane Ludin, Senior Warden, Ellen Pool, Junior Warden, Frank Fiedler, Bill Bowes, Audrey Gagnon, Dan Bogart, Susan Johnson, Bill Morley. Jim Arnold, Acting Clerk.

**Excused:** Raymond “Bud” Zeuschner, Walt Schob, Treasurer

**Call To Order:** The regular meeting of the Vestry of St. Peter's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church was called to order at 12:35p.m., followed by an opening prayer.

### **Minutes Approval:**

Motion by Dan to accept the January 10, 2010 minutes, seconded by Bill Bowes, and the motion was passed.

**Introduction of new members:** Harriet introduced the new vestry members Diane Ludin, Susan Johnson and Bill Morley; also, Jim Arnold as temporary Clerk.

Harriet also announced the offer and acceptance of Dee Bowes, who will be the new Clerk to the Vestry.

**Rectors' Report:** Harriet asked for prayers for Ray Gallo's hip replacement and Paul Valentiner's probable upcoming slipped-disc back surgery. Harriet also suggested that parishioner needs during her absence be directed to either Diane, Ellen or Judy Burke.

**Treasurer's Report:** As per Walt's report we have an additional \$4063 in revenue. The budget will be restored in order of the priorities of restoration decided on in December- the first being the music program and so on. As the \$4063 in extra revenue included monies specified for items other than music on the “vine branch” pledge board in the parish hall, Dan moved to take \$3,000 in extra revenue and immediately transfer this to the music program. The motion was seconded by Ellen, and then passed. Diane and Harriet will compose a letter to the congregation to thank those who increased their pledge and to ascertain what programs are to receive the additional funds.

**New Check Signers:** Bill Morley moved to appoint Bill Bowes and Diane Ludin as new check signers. This motion was seconded by Bill Bowes, both parties accepted and the motion passed.

**City Wide Garage Sale:** Ellen says we made \$600 (approximately) at last year's sale. This year's sale will take place on Saturday, 4/10/10. Ellen and her friend will provide and serve soup and sandwiches in the parish hall; however, a cashier will be needed to

collect the proceeds, which will be \$3.50 a person. Ellen will arrange with the folks at Morro Bay Beautiful to get St. Peter's on the city--wide sale map grid with a star to designate us as one of the official sites. Ellen will volunteer to pick-up items, if any one needs her to, that they want to contribute to the sale; but, please, no clothing.

**Ideas for Fund Raising and Growth:** Bill Bowes suggested a Membership Committee be started for this purpose. Harriet suggested getting those interested in going to Diocese workshops on growth to gather on Wed. 3/10/10 for Congregational Development in the parish hall library at 3pm; and, additionally, on Sat. 3/20/10 at 9 am.

**Lenten Programs:** First program will be 2/25/10 at 5:30. Bill Morley and Carrie Trahan will do the cleanup. Diane will setup. Tom Cahill and Judy Owens will provide the soup and Audrey Gagnon will furnish the sandwiches.

**Sound Solutions:** Bill Morley says we are on the verge of getting sound panels (acoustical, fiberglass panels, covered with fabric). Bill Morley moved to remove the infrared heating panels in the parish hall. This motion was seconded by Frank, and the motion passed.

**New Junior Warden:** Ellen Pool was nominated, she accepted and was re-elected to this position.

**Decision on future meetings:** Next vestry meetings will be: March 21, April 11, and May 23.

**Parochial Report:** Walt has done his part. Harriet needs to finish her part and the Clerk will need to sign. Susan motioned to approve the report pending completion per the above. This motion was seconded by Dan, and subsequently passed.

**Inviting Church:** Diane mentioned that going to church is no longer a social requirement as it was in the 1950s. Also, that we need to think of how we can be important to others through activities, doing something for seniors, etc. We need to think of things to make us inviting. We need to think of how we can reach out and fill a need; draw people to us--as followers of Jesus we want to serve, etc. She suggested that this could be a topic of discussion at a future Vestry Retreat.

**Kitchen:** Cris Rose has requested that we send our thoughts to everyone on how we can best make the best use of our kitchen and best keep it clean.

**Holy Week/Easter:** Good Friday services will be both at 12 noon and 7 pm. The Great Vigil of Easter service will be Saturday, April 3, 2010.

**Fish Fry:** Diane heard that the Rotary Club is doing a Fish Fry benefit for the Central Coast Women for Fisheries in August. Diane and Susan will investigate the possibility of us doing another with them before that time.

**Gardening:** We have a bid from Richard McVicker, acquaintance of Bill Bowes, to do needed gardening for \$3000. Bill Morley stated that we have money set aside for this-- further discussion is pending.

**Adjournment:** Dan made the motion to adjourn, Frank seconded, and the motion passed, Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm.

**Meeting for next month set for March 21, 2010.**

**Adjournment:** 2:05 p.m.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Harriet B Linville, Rector

Recorded by: \_\_\_\_\_

Jim M Arnold, Acting Clerk

Revised by: \_\_\_\_\_

Diane Ludin, senior warden