

**St. Antony of Egypt Episcopal Church
Silverdale, WA
Minutes of the Bishop's Committee
Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 6:30pm**

The Meeting was called to order at 6:34pm

Present: Peter Dawson, Bill Cleveland, Holly Foley; Heather George; Bob Meith; Bill Demmon, Treasurer; Elisabeth Demmon, BC Clerk.

Visitors: Charles Smith (Mission Trip); Bill Reeder (Stewardship Campaign)

Opening Prayer: Peter Dawson

Adoption of Agenda: MSP to accept the agenda as read.

Adoption of Minutes: MSP to accept the minutes of the July 16, 2009 meeting as written.

Circulate Calendars and BPOD Sign-up sheet: September, October and November 2009 calendars were circulated.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Demmon

- Bill reported that we are doing well.
- Signature cards are ready at the bank for Ann Daniels and myself.
- Bill will be preparing the 2010 Budget worksheets for commissioners; he will hand them out at the next meeting.

Commission Reports

Administration, Finance and Long Range Planning – Bob Meith

- No report

Community Service and Outreach – Bill Cleveland

- The annual Ray Berglund Mini-Golf Tournament will be held on September 5th with proceeds going to Communitas. Details are in the August and September newsletters.

Faith Formation – Stacey Scalf (Absent – report sent via email)

- EYC/EYF – The youth group participated in Whaling Days on two separate days. On July 25th they did a fundraiser with the Clear Creek Trail Committee to help park cars. This raised about \$200.00 for the group. On the 26th they ran the St. A's booth from 12:00-2:00. They had a summer outing to Timber Falls Mini Golf in early August. Thanks to everyone who participated in these events!
- Sunday School – Still looking for new Sunday school teachers. New volunteers would need to start in the fall. Melanie has agreed to stay on as Sunday school Director. If you are interested in helping with Sunday school, please contact Melanie or myself. I did get some names at the Time and Talent Fair and will contact those people soon.
- VBS –was held August 10th –14th. Peter Stockwell and crew did a wonderful job! Thanks so much to all who volunteered to make this ministry a success!

- Nursery attendant – Mary Yoho has been hired by the Vicar and has been the attendant since July.

Building Maintenance – Larry Little (Absent)

- No report from Larry but it was observed that the Exit door threshold needs attention.

Parish Life/Fellowship – Cheryl Wright (Absent)

- No report from Cheryl but Bill Demmon reported that Cheryl is trying to put together a Bowling Alley interfaith league for the fall as stated her article in the August newsletter.

Evangelism – Holly Foley

- No report

Grounds Maintenance – Heidi Feenstra-Wilson (Absent – report sent via email)

- Had a grounds clean up and BBQ on 8 August. Next clean up will be in September, date is to be determined.

Worship/Liturgy/Music – Heather George

- There was a Worship Planning Meeting at which time a contribution was made to cover the overage for the Music budget.
- The Copyright License renewal that enables us to copy music will be in the Music Budget.
- Music has been planned through September
- The choir will have a retreat on September 13th with choir rehearsals resuming after that on Sundays at 11:45am.
- Heather will be checking with other churches about their music budget. We need to make sure we prioritize our funding.

Youth – Chad Reeder (Absent)

- See report under Faith Formation

Vicar and Warden's Reports

People's Warden – Holly Foley

- We need to accomplish certain tasks as laid out by the Fire Inspector. The alarm system was up to day as the Tri-Tek technician came to check it today. Thank you to Peter for taking care of all the necessary items for our Building Maintenance.
- The Vicar filled out the information form that Elisabeth created for his absence on Vacation so all will know contact numbers and procedures if needed.
- Holly has had several requests from the 10am congregation that the time before the service should be a time for reflection and quiet, not for hymn practice please.
- It was also requested by several parishioners that Announcements made at the 10am service should also be given at the 8am service. Commissioners are asked to email other commissioners concerning announcements so both services are covered and the same information is given out at both services.

Bishop's Warden – Peter Dawson

- We have had 3 major events since our last meeting which were highly successful and a vote of thanks should be given to all who volunteered at Whaling Days, the Barn Sale and Vacation Bible School.

Vicar's Report – Bill Fulton (Absent on vacation)

- No report.

Old Business:

1. Barn Sale - Peter Dawson

- St. Vincent de Paul will collect the remaining items in the Barn soon; other items left over from the sale were given to Goodwill.
- The sale was successful; good weather, with a great turn out of volunteers and customers.
- The actual take for the first day was \$1745.90; the second day was \$1106.90 for a total of \$2852.80. These figures do not take into account pre-sales or other checks that have come in after the sale.

2. Whaling Days – Holly Foley

- We could not count the cups to find out how many people came by the booth and the tally sheet was lost.
- Bob Meith will check to find out the cost for a new banner that mentions St. Antony's instead of just the Episcopal Church.
- We will need to book a booth on the side of the street with electricity so we can have cold water.

3. Vacation Bible School – Stacey Scalf (absent)

- It was noted that this was a successful event led by Peter Stockwell.
- We need a better clean-up system after the completion of the week.
- Photos of children posted on our website or/and by the Vicar need a parental permission via a release form.

4. Copier Contract– Bob Meith/Elisabeth Demmon

- Elisabeth reported that the copier is up and running well with excellent support from the company. The use of color is password protected to save money.

5. Shirts – Holly Foley

- Holly has placed another order for 17 more shirts. They are pre-shrunk cotton so will need pressing.

6. Kitsap Housing Authority – Heather George

- There was a workday on August 15th at which 7 people from the church helped.
- There was good fellowship and a lot was accomplished
- Heather fed all participants; there will be another workshop at the end of September.

New Business

1. Mission to India – Charles Smith

- Charles reported that he has been in discernment about a possible call to be a priest or a deacon; it was suggested that mission work should be included in the discernment process. Charles has the opportunity to go on a mission trip to India to teach English at a secondary school or college while helping to build the Anglican connection at the grass roots level.
- He will need financial, spiritual and verbal support from the BC.
- **MSP to set up the Charles Smith Missionary Fund (restricted) for missionary work and to encourage Charles Smith to go forward with his mission work to India.**

2. Need female alternate to Diocesan Convention

- Since Elisabeth Demmon (St. A's delegate) was elected to be co-convenor for the Peninsula Region, that means she is an automatic delegate to the convention. Carolyn Segrist, who was elected to be an alternate at the last annual meeting, agreed to replace Elisabeth as a St. Antony's delegate.
- We now need a female alternate to take the place of Carolyn.
- **MSP to elect Heather George as our alternate to the 2009 Diocesan Convention.**

3. Commission Budgets – Peter Dawson

- Peter asked that the Commissioners need to make it clear to staff and committees that the money in their budget belongs to the Commission; therefore the Commissioners must approve all expenditures before they are incurred.

4. Fall Stewardship Campaign – Bill Reeder

- Bill presented a power point presentation for the BC for review before the next BC meeting in September.
- Bill would like approval to be granted at the next meeting so the campaign can move forward.
- The stewardship committee includes Gloria Christie, Rod Mash and Bob Meith..

The next BC Meeting will be on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 6:30pm

Newsletter Deadline for the September Glad Tidings is Tuesday, August 25, 2009 at 8am.

The Compline leader for August is Holly Foley; For September is Peter Dawson

The meeting adjourned at 8:43pm.

Respectfully submitted

Elisabeth Demmon

BC Clerk