

## **Minutes April 10, 2024 Vestry Meeting**

**Present: Richard Little, Gregg Learned, Nick Forenz, Virginia Kasser, Leah Nichiporuk, Deb Bartlett, Father Craig Hacker, Joan Rogerson, Karen Derr- treasurer, Donna Noteware- clerk**

**Absent: Wayne Grimes, Jim Grillo**

- 1. Father Craig opened the meeting at 6:30 with prayer**
- 2. Approval of minutes: Nick made the motion to accept March 13, 2024 minutes with corrections and Gregg seconded. All were in favor- the motion carried.**
- 3. Treasurer's Report: After Karen explained some line items Father Craig made the motion to accept the treasurer's report which was seconded by Nick. All were in favor so the motion carried.**
- 4. Transition of the Bishop elect news/details: Richard explained that there is \$500 in grant money that each Parish can apply for. Father Craig suggested a program for the Day Care in Hammondsport which he will look into. The complete report is attached.**
- 5. Investment Committee recommendations were presented by Nick: a) No changes in the Regular Account. b) Safe to invest \$70,000 from the Restricted Account. c) Recommended investing \$114,000 from the Restricted Savings Account. After discussion, the Vestry decided to invest \$184,000 in two CDs @5% with 5 Star Bank. See attached.**

**Nick made the motion that Karen purchase two CDs: \$70,000 and \$114,000 from 5 Star Bank at 5%: the \$70,000 CD from 5 Star Bank in the Renovation Fund and Joan seconded the motion. All were in favor so the motion carried. Richard made the motion that Karen purchase a \$114,000 CD from the Restricted Savings Account and Gregg seconded. All were in favor so the motion carried.**

- 6. Baseball/softball Outreach update: Volunteering on May 4, 2024 signup sheet is still on the bulletin board. 120 baseballs/softballs are needed which will cost between \$500 and \$600. Possibly have a picnic later in the season to hand them out.**
- 7. Fine Arts Dinner- Are interested but need to work around the sports schedule- many games delayed because of the weather. \$500 - \$600 the cost of the dinner.**
- 8. Outreach dinner organization: support local businesses; pray before and after with us.**
- 9. Vestry Service process: In January new members were elected. The Vestry has Junior and Senior Wardens. Will discuss at the May meeting.**
- 10. Vestry Goal Flyer: Father Craig said he would add the Flyer to the Bulletin.**

- 11. Front step repair and seasonal landscaping: After discussion, Gregg made the motion to authorize \$2,000 for Leah to go forward with the step repair. The motion was seconded by Nick and all were in favor. The motion carried.**
- 12. Keeler room use request April 27, 2024: Diana Paturzo requested the room from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. After discussion, Father Craig made the motion to use the room for this outreach program and Richard seconded. All were in favor- the motion carried.**
- 13. Charitable donations for Phil Hunn and Nancy French: After discussion, Father Craig recommended donating \$50 in memory of Nancy French and Phil Hunn to St. James and Nick seconded the motion. All were in favor. Father Craig recommended donating \$50 to St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Wellsboro in memory of Kathy Leonard. Gregg seconded the motion and all were in favor.**
- 14. Nancy French Service/Luncheon: Service is all set. Karen Derr will be organizing the luncheon.**
- 15. Last Sunday of the month coffee hour discussion- Vern will be making the baked goods and delivering them to the church. Someone from church will need to sign up to set-up and clean-up. Vern wants to be at his bakery on Sunday mornings.**
- 16. For the Good of the Order: 1. Father Craig and Virginia met with Carol Israel to discuss the Aging in Place craft class set for April 13, 2024 in the undercroft from 10:00 am to Noon. Virginia will be there to help setup and clean up. Gregg will stop by. Virginia will send an email to the parishioners inviting them to come. 2. Outside work day will either be May 11 or May 18.**
- 17. Father Craig adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm**

**Respectively submitted: Donna Noteware, clerk**

**Next Vestry Meeting May 8, 2024**