

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church
Annual Meeting Minutes
Sunday December 10, 9:15-10:15

Attendees: Church members

1. Opening Prayer by Fr Rob
2. Introduction of potential Vestry members-
 - Jim Smith
 - Judie Borden
 - David Freeman
 - Richard Schuetze
 - Betsey Jones

May vote for four Vestry member, eligible to vote if you are a baptized/confirmed member of St Aidan's over the age of 18.

Votes will be counted by out going Vestry member's present- Patrice Skinner, Elywn Alexander, Mark Thompson. (Becky Sullivan not present)

3. Fr Rob thanked outgoing Vestry member for their service. He presented each of them with Diocese of Atlanta history book in thanks.
 - Recognized remaining Vestry members: Mary Kathryn Nix, Pete Sansom, Clarke Miller, Cathy Schlecht, Theo Manos, Bobbe Frank, Jim Myers, and Joel Shepard.
 - Fr Rob recognized St Aidan's staff- David Wagner, Lee Thompson, John Sabine, Justice XXX, and Carol Maddux.
4. Annual Report presented
 - We have 120 new members
 - Feasibility workshop study- interviewed firms to help us with our campaign. We need to balance our mortgage. If we can reduce our mortgagee then we will be able to use our resources in other areas.
 - Need everyone to complete the questionnaire that was sent out. Once we get everyone's input than we will be able to move forward.

5. Budget 2006- presented by Barry Mansell
 - We have more families than ever pledging.
 - The budget breakdown is as follows:

Administration/Personnel	46%
Christian Ed/Youth	9%
Parish Life/Nursery	3%
Outreach	9%
Worship/Music	8%
Buildings/Grounds	15%
Debt Retirement	10%

100%= \$ 410,539

A budget was created that was \$10,000 over what was expected to receive. We are currently \$25,751 over budget going into December.

- Outstanding Debt-
Our current debt is \$ 2,343,353 which is a \$15,800/month payment of that only \$1,700 is principal.
- We are currently using money from the Building fund to make these monthly payments. As of July 1, 2007 the Building fund will be depleted.

- 2007 preliminary budget is expected to total \$460,085

6. Worship space renovation-presented by Pete Sansom

Why improve liturgical space?

- Church is not dual use anymore.
- Committee was formed and drawings were prepared to show changes. The altar rail would be U-shaped this would increase the number of people to 40.
- Flooring in the Altar area would be changed to wood.
- Changes would be made to the back wall
- The choir would be moved to the back of the church
- New Digital organ would be purchased \$29,000-39,000 price range
- New lighting
- New carpet though out (except where wood floors added)
- Project would be started Summer of 2007
- Project will not be started until all the money that is needed is collected.
- Cost for total project is estimated \$57,800-71,000 of which we currently have
\$11,000 donated for organ
\$ 6,100 in Phillip Schlecht memorial fund
Balance would need to come from the Capital campaign fund

Questions:

Q: Are we increasing or decreasing # of seats

A: *Seat # should stay about the same*

Q: Would we use the same seats?

A: *Yes*

Q: What would we do with the old organ?

A: *Use it as a trade in for new one*

Q: Will this project be all or nothing?

A: *Yes, and we would have all the money needed before starting.*

Q: How long would the project take?

A: *3-4 weeks*

6. Fr Rob the following for their service

- Liturgical Arts committee for all their hard work
- Joanne Schuetze to organizing the workshop
- Carol Waters for heading the Caregivers committee
- Diane Rogers for taking over the Caregivers committee
- Alison and Joe Moyers for heading the Greeter committee
- Gordon and Derrin Thompson for taking over Greeter committee
- Committee working on Mothers Morning out program for 2007
- Habitat dedication was yesterday
- Confirmation today at the Cathedral
- 2007 Contribution envelopes are available to be picked up
- Results of pledge survey –
54 Families- Maintain current giving
57 families- Increase giving
3 Families Decrease giving
- Trailer- Boy scouts have taken over the maintenance and completely gutted and re-done them.
- Brochure is available that outlines year end giving
- Playground is going to be moved to the front.
- Memorial garden- committee has been formed and are working to the details
- This is the Centennial year for the Diocese of Atlanta

- Betty Hood maintains the website for St Aidan's- take a look, contains a lot in information and links.

7. Elwyn Alexander – Sr. Warden thanked Fr Rob and everyone for their support during her Vestry tenure. She urged everyone to fill out the questionnaire sent by Cargill so the leaders will know what vision the members have for the church. She thanked her family for their support during her Vestry service.

8. Fr Rob announced the four new Vestry members:

Richard Schuetze
Jim Smith
Betsey Jones
David Freeman

Meeting concluded with a prayer led by Fr. Rob

Respectfully submitted by Debby Flynn, Clerk