

**St. Aidan's Episcopal Church**  
**Vestry Minutes**  
**Thursday, March 26, 2009 – 7 PM**

**Attendees:** Rob Wood, Keith Oglesby, David Freeman, Betsy Jones, Jim Smith, Bob French, Blair Hendrickson, Andrea Manos, Joey Sargent, Terry Ledford, Harmony Kiser, Jim Skinner, Gregory Smith **Attendees via Phone:** Richard Schuetze **Absent:** Laurin Lausier

1. Opening Prayer/Devotion: Joe Sargent
  - Rob Wood —discussed how our meeting might address the needs of the poor as we addressed issues of money and budget.
  - Rob Wood – Prayer
2. Agenda Modified to include:
  - Bookmarks, Copier and Outreach
  - Agenda 9 minutes—approved.
3. February 2009 vestry meeting minutes approved
4. 2008 Parochial Report update – Rob
5. February Financial Reports from Jim Myers Reviewed
  - Highlighted -\$13,000 difference between actual and budget
  - Consensus that we are aware but not concerned ... yet
  - After end of first quarter we will review budget at April vestry meeting.
  - All agree to defer all non-essential, unnecessary expenses
  - Noted that we have 5 Sundays in March an hope that will help a bit.
6. Discussed moving charges for Geering's fee from Christian Education to Stewardship
7. Parish Life Update – Jim:
  - Planning a more subdued Maunday Thursday event.
  - Easter Vigil will have Fruit/Cheese/Champagne.
  - Enchantment Under The Sea Dance on April 18th
  - Parish Picnic details and Plans discussed. Hot-Dogs Hamburgers only, Youth involved, face painting.
  - Possible Midsummer event. Movie on Lawn, Dinner in Parish Hall. Fellowship at a low cost.
8. Fr. Keith discussed that the Diocesan Confirmation dates have been moved to April 26<sup>th</sup>, effectively moving up one month. Keith and Joey to work out a plan for candidates.
9. Sr. Wardens Report – Richard had no formal report as he is out of town.
10. Jr Warden's Report – Bob. Submitted via Email. Highlights discussed:
  - Cottage progress update. Retired Men's Group making good progress
  - Spring Cleaning Day was success, 20yd dumpster filled on just cottage.

- Need to schedule another day, 3hrs. Goal is that cottage bathroom done in next month, so in May we might be able to return to cottage.
  - Betsy wants to make sure ramp works for Victor's chair, as in-church ramp does not.
  - Walkway Update: none. Discussed Puddling vs Wicking problem on walkway. standing water.
  - School board will be doing painting over summer of downstairs classrooms. Need to add window washing on that work day. Hope to schedule another parish work day at time of painting.
  - Provided door latching instructions for downstairs church doors.
11. Asst Rector's Report – Keith. Full report submitted via email
- May be opening up pre-school enrollment to diocese
  - VPODs need to be reminded to look for escaping children.
  - VPODs need to check in with children's chapel for kids that need to go to potty. take them into narthex bathrooms
  - Keith also gave a VBS update.
12. Rector's Report – Rob. Full report submitted via email. Highlights:
- Green Team update, looking at Energy Audit.
  - Rick Callaway as guest priest on Sunday for 8am. Keith doing 10:30 service
  - Tuesday Morning Anglican Class going well.
  - Rob had Lunch with Mayor of Alpharetta.
13. Laminated Bookmark discussion – Harmony.
- Rob stated want to keep these on everyone's mind and heart.
  - Cardstock versions stuck in parish matters. People should take them home and use them.
14. Mothers-Morning-Out Budget Review.
- Reviewed enrollment for 2009-2010. 34 signed up for 46 spots. 18mo class is under enrolled.
  - Hoping that enrollment will pick-up. Teachers are all hired.
  - Staff development days scheduled
15. Birmingham day of service email reviewed. Discussed publishing information on it on website. Nobody seemed to know where the park is located. Betsy taking charge of that project for moment.
16. Attic Sale Shirts have been moved file cabinets in Burtenshaw Hall file drawers.
17. Betsy requested help with transporting clothing for foster care on this Saturday 10:30 am.
- Possible conflict with youth palm cross making noted.
18. Decided to not upgrade office copier at this time.

19. Joey mentioned that we need a better place to store recyclables like printer cartridges and pill bottles. We need better recycle bins. Bob French to investigate and acquire new bins.

20. Sign In book for table registration needs march sheets.

- VPODs need to remind users of sign in procedures.
- Reminder that there is a 2wk limit,

21. Other Items Mentioned:

- Rob mentioned that Acolyte banner is awesome! Betty Hood to post photo on website.
- Andrea said roots and wings dinner went well.
- Wheelchair Seating location is now near side exit, near acolytes seating.

Meeting concluded with a prayer led by Rob  
*Respectfully submitted by Blair Hendrickson*