

MINUTES
BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING
Saint Thomas Of Canterbury Episcopal Church
Temecula, California

Monday, September 15, 2008, 6:00 pm

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Father Robert, Vicar; Peter Mandery, Junior Warden; Martha Dudley; Kay Bemis; Tom Meden; Donna Happ; Jenn Cole; and Judy Pellam, Clerk..

ABSENT: Bob Dudley, Senior Warden; Patty Macias; Ashley Lemons; and Jack Rees, Treasurer.

- I. **Call To Order:** Father Robert called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The meeting convened at our Thrift Shop.
- II. **Office For A Church Meeting**
- III. **Approval of Minutes of June Meeting:** Donna made a motion to approve Minutes; Tom seconded the motion; motion carried.
- IV. **Vicar's Report: Father Robert**
 - A. Sharon is on vacation this week and will return to work on 09/22/2008.
 - B. Rally Sunday, held 09/14, was the start of our 2008/2009 Program Year. A Ministry Fair and a Church Barbeque took place, as well.
 - C. Church Building Update
--so far, two weeks ahead of schedule.
 - D. Due to lack of time, Father Robert needs to carry over one week of continuing education. All agreed with this request.
- V. **Senior Warden's Report: Bob Dudley – No report.**
- VI. **Treasurer's Report: Father Robert for Jack Rees**
 - A. The July/August financial reports for the Church, Thrift Shop, and Preschool were presented following previous review by the Finance Committee. All were discussed by the BC and referred by the Vicar to the Audit Committee.

VII. Bishop's Committee Member Reports

A. Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure – Father Robert for Ashley Lemons

- Ministry Fair went well w/ some people signing-up for various ministries.
- Stewardship Conference, September 20, with Canon Wendfeldt
- Every Member Canvas; Being the Church Luncheon, October 12
- Faisal Sipra and Tom Trollan are the Co-Chairs for the EMC

B. Outreach – Tom Meden

- School Supplies Drive went well
- Food Drives brought in 170 pounds of food.
- Animal Friends of the Valley will be beneficiary of collection from the Blessing of the Animals.
- Laurie Pratt and Tom Meden will coordinate the Christmas outreach of Adopt-A-Family

C. Administration: Office Volunteers – Judy Pellam – No report.

D. Administration: Property – Peter Mandery – No report.

E. Administration: Communications/Multi Media – Martha Dudley– No report.

F. Administration: Finance – Father Robert for Jack Rees

- The Finance Committee recommended that the outreach contributions for the 3rd Quarter be held to see if possible during the 4th Quarter. Tom Meden made the motion to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation, Martha Dudley seconded the motion; motion carried.
- So far, one bid has been received to do the 2007 audit. Two more bids are being sought.

G. Christian Education – Father Robert for Peter Mandery

- Program Year begins following Rally Sunday
 - No more STEAM due to lack of interest.
 - New: Movie Night begins on the second Friday of the month.
 - New Book Discussion format
 - Edible Bible to begin in November on 5th Sundays of the month.

H. Saint Thomas Preschool – Jenn Cole

- A new banner is now displayed at the construction site thanks to Ali Jude and her husband.

I. Saint Thomas Thrift Shop – Donna Happ

- Several new volunteers have started (even before Volunteer Campaign began).

J. Parish Life: Pastoral Care – Kay Bemis – No report.

K. Parish Life: Worship – Father Robert

- Liturgical Minister's meetings will take place twice per year instead of three times.
- Animal Friends of the Valleys are publicizing the upcoming Blessing of the Animals.

L. Parish Life: Fellowship – Patty Macias (*absent*)

- The Church Barbeque was a great success.
- Kay Bemis mentioned that the BC is responsible for Sunday morning refreshments on the 4th Sundays of the month.

VIII. Adjourn: 8:07 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for October 20, at 6:00 pm, in the Church Office.

Respectfully submitted

s/Judy Pellam
Clerk Of The Bishop's Committee