

St. John's Episcopal Church, Charlotte, NC
Vestry Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2011

CLERGY/VESTRY PRESENT: Rev. Fr. Paul Winton, Reid Joyner, Merrill Gowdy, Sandy Fussell, Jim Riddle, Hunt Wofford, Kim Hoben, Mary Jane Gommel, Sarah Asby and Patrick Leake.

GUESTS PRESENT: Susan Mason (Parish Steward), Janet Brown (Treasurer), Jack Conlan (Outreach Committee chair).

MARCH MINUTES: The March 2011 minutes were approved as written.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE PRESENTATION: (Jack Conlan)

- 13 members currently serving on the Outreach Committee
- Approved funding requests for Urban Ministries, Room in the Inn, and Job Hunters
- Defined 3-tiered criteria for funding requests in order to be "pro-active" rather than "re-active" in disbursement of funds
- Want to better communicate to the parish the full measure of Outreach at St. John's (Christmas Toy Collection, 30 Hour Famine, Guild of St. Margaret's & ECW projects, etc.)
- Planning to have a Ministry Fair in the fall and an Outreach Sunday in the summer
- Hunt Wofford was asked to write a letter from the Vestry to the Outreach Committee thanking them for their work

TREASURER'S REPORT (Janet Brown):

- The Treasurer's Report was approved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Merrill Gowdy):

- Recast the budget for 2011
 - Resulted in a deficit of \$83,408 rather than \$111,872
- Sarah Asby, Susan Mason, Reid Joyner and Patrick Leake will present a plan at the May meeting for reducing this deficit
- The revised budget was approved unanimously by the Vestry

JUNIOR WARDEN'S REPORT (Jim Riddle):

- Mason Goodman did an excellent job with the supervision and construction of the fence along the north side of the parking lot
- The security system for the preschool will be in use soon
- Work on the front lawn has begun

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT (Reid Joyner):

- Kurt Kottkamp has resigned from the Vestry
 - Vacancy will be filled at the May Vestry meeting
 - Nominations will be open to the congregation
- Debt Elimination Campaign:
 - \$147,000 committed thus far
 - Letter writing campaign to begin after Easter
 - Bus loan will be paid off in April!
- A letter will be mailed to all who have not pledged

RECTOR'S REPORT (Fr. Paul Winton):

- Rev. Amy Huacani's last day will be May 31
- Deacon Josh Bowron will graduate from Sewanee on May 13

- The Rector has scheduled several new ministry meetings:
 - churchHome Librarian
 - Task Force on Parish Health
 - Vestments
 - Women's Ministries

The meeting closed with prayer and adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Kerry Johnson