

St. Stephens Episcopal Church
Vestry Minutes

Sunday, August 28, 2017

: In attendance: Mother Susan, Katy Allen, Scott Armstrong, Alan Giles, Alice Moss, Paula Somerville, Karol Sprague, Roy Waters, and Justin Wojas. Absent: Jackie Ingersoll, Richard Kenefic, Rob Redmer, and Norma Ross,

This month's Vestry meeting of St Stephens Episcopal Church was held on Sunday at Alice Moss's home and included a picnic along with a short business meeting. Mother Susan offered grace and we enjoyed a great dinner.

Mother Susan announced the results of the vestry polling for possible members of the Planning Oversight Committee. They are Katy Allen, Don Ingersoll, Helen Giles, Anna Dorsey Pierce, Pat Wojas, Sandy Jose, and John Morley.

July 25, Paula, Rob, Scott, and Karol met with Susan to discuss the purpose of the Planning Oversight Committee, following guidelines from Rendle and Mann in *Holy Conversations* by Rendle and Mann. St. Stephens will use the full planning process and the Vestry will monitor the process. The committee will make full use of experts within and outside the congregation. Parishioners will be involved in conversations and subcommittees.

Scott reported on details of SOS coming in September. We will offer the parish hall and grounds all day Saturday to our guests. It will be unstructured and relaxing.

Justin updated us on Building and Grounds. The group is creating a preventive maintenance schedule to ward off disasters and surprises.

Susan relayed advice from Terri Pilarski about moving slowly with any plans, not putting too much pressure on ourselves and work on enjoying relationships with each other.

Roy asked about an update on the rector's evaluation process. Much work went into its revision. Canon law requires a yearly evaluation. Katy repeated Terri's advice to chill this year. HR committee will set a time table for evaluation. Alice said there will be a meeting with Susan in October.

Strategic/Mission Focus for September Vestry meeting: beginning to organize strategic planning for the Planning Oversight Committee, SOS Update, Stewardship/Strategic get together: B&G Preventive Maintenance Schedule, rector evaluation time table.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Submitted,

Karol Sprague, Clerk