

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of St. Philips Church. Sunday, November 4, 1973.

The meeting was opened at 9¹⁰ am. with Chairman, Warden James Parks presiding. Minutes from previous meeting were read by Virginia Bundy. Motion made by Mr. Van Landingham and seconded by Mr. Willard Morse to accept minutes with necessary corrections.

Communications reported by Mr. Van Landingham

1. Letter received concerning our calendars.
2. D. Benjamin Bullock acknowledged a communication sent by Vestry upon the death of his Uncle.
3. Mr. Willard Morse reported a communication for Honecker Thumbing claiming our bill outstanding to be \$1401.44. which does not agree with our figures. Mrs. Scruggs stated Mr. Bishop had asked Honecker Thumbing to take a cut in his bill which he agreed to do so the amount outstanding is incorrect.

Mr. Van Landingham stated other communications are not all in yet. Reports will be given later.

Finance Committee - Reported by Mr. Willard Morse
Stated Contributions are down. Detailed report attached.

SP & C Housing Development - Mr. Van Landingham
No Progress to report.

SP & C Community Center - Given by Mrs. Screeggs

Target date for moving into new center is
Nov. 12th. Registration is set for the
following Mon, Tues, Wed.

Survey done by Mrs. Screeggs and her
Committee will be ~~reported~~ after the evaluation
is done.

There will be no program during the holidays.
Father Griffith offered the use of his
office and any additional increase for the
cost of utilities will be settled at end
of the year.

Mrs. Screeggs suggested the pop machine
was not a profitable operation and could
possibly be given to the E & C as their project
and assume total responsibility. ~~It~~ moved
by D. Benjamin Bullack - Seconded by
Mrs. Geneva Screeggs. Vote unanimous.

Church Property Sale.

In the absence of Mr. Sims, Mr. Van Landingham
reported he had made several calls to Mr. Sims' office
but calls not returned. The court dates are not
known at this time.

New Business

- a) Every member Canvas report given by Mr. Van Landingham. Dean Smith said SP&C would join the Diocese in the Drive however SP&C would be allowed to observe Loyalty Sunday as planned on Nov. 25th.

Mr. Parks suggested letters to the congregation be followed up with phone calls.

b) Budget Committee

Mrs. Geneva Seregg reported the Committee will meet as soon as all the reports are in.

Mr. Van Landingham asked for a Pie Diagram from the Committee and Mrs. Seregg said they will comply.

c) Nominating Committee

Mr. Julius Evans, Chairman, stated he was not clear on reelection of vestry and cannot act until this point is clarified.

Mr. Van Landingham said it will be an open election and Vestrymen can be reelected. Names from the floor will be accepted along with the slate presented by the Committee.

d) Parish Meetings

Candidates name will be submitted at the Parish Meeting, Dec. 2, 1973 following mass. Moved by Mr. Edwards. Seconded by Mrs. Screegg. Vote unanimous. Mr. Van Landingham asked if Vestry wanted to provide Coffee & Doughnuts. (Estimated cost \$15.00) Mr. Robert Edwards suggested providing Coffee & Doughnuts but having a "Kelly Cup".

e) Moving Date:

Mr. Van Landingham stated there has not been a concrete date set yet. He intends to call this week and check on date and also call Mr. Sims concerning Church property.

f) Moving Committee

In absence of committee Mr. Van Landingham reported a meeting is scheduled for Nov. 5 at St. Clements with Father Kryder and Mr. Allen Luther, Contractor & Consultant to discuss moving into new Church and to get ideas and cost estimates.

Mr. Edwards requested the letter from Father Kryder concerning moving be read. Mr. Van Landingham stated the letter was read at

the last meeting. Question arose concerning a fee for Father Kryder and Mr. Luther. Mr. Van Luedenham informed the vestry, Father Kryder's services are without fee and Mr. Luther's services as consultant are on a fee basis.

Mr. Edwards explained the major remodeling necessary would be an extended balcony to accomodate the organ & choir.

Mr. Morse suggested a call meeting after Nov. 5 meeting to discuss prices so work can be started as soon as possible.

Mr. Robert Edwards recommended the organ be removed as soon as possible so necessary repairs can be started. Mr. Edwards was asked to check on the cost of renting an electronic organ for Xmas Services. He offered to follow thru and report back to the vestry.

g) Calling Committee

Mr. Van Luedenham reported he had received inquiries from 4 Priests. Letters with profiles were mailed Oct 22nd. To date no replies have been received.

The new package deal for priests is now \$15,879.50 including housing and fringe benefits.

Mrs. Scruggs suggested a history of SP&C

be added to the Profiles. Dr. Bullack requested a copy of the letter be sent to the Vestry. Mrs. Scruggs added a copy should be sent to all vestry members and Calling Committee members.

Dr. Bullack offered to make the extra copies.

Mr. Coleman asked if our present priest is being considered. Mr. Van Landingham stated Father Rudwell is not a candidate. Miss Hunter asked if the Wardens are working on retaining Father Griffith. Mr. Van Landingham stated nothing has been done.

The Calling Committee will meet as soon as any replies are received.

k) Bishop's Visitation Day. - Nov. 25

Mrs. Geneva Scruggs reported there will be one Service followed by a Social hour. Mr. Robert Johnson is chairman of the Social hour.

Mr. Parks announced our Organist, Mrs. Johnson would like to resign. Mrs. Scruggs was asked to put feelers out to secure another Organist. Mrs. Scruggs requested the vestry set a fee. Mr. Van Landingham explained the Vestry can set a fee scale. Usually the

Hiring of the organist is the responsibility of the Priest in charge but under our present situation the Vestry can set the fee.

Mr. Robert Edwards recommended we contract for an Organist - Director.

Dr. B. F. Bullack suggested contacting St. Clements' Organist to see if she is available.

Miss Josephine Hunter asked to be heard concerning the state of our Sunday School. She listed the following complaints:

1. Incomplete staff
2. Baby sitting in some instances instead of teaching.
3. No viable program at this point
4. Sunday School Staff have not met once this year.

Mr. Van Landingham promised to meet with the Sept. to discuss the situation.

Convention Report

Mr. Van Landingham thanked all who attended the dinner.

Because of illness Mr. Van Landingham was represented by Miss Hunter.

Congratulations were extended to Mrs. Geneva Schraggs and Miss Hunter on their elections at the Convention.

Miss Hunter commented on the noticeable lack of representation of S & C. at the convocation this year.

Miss Hunter asked to be heard on the non functioning of the Finance Committee. Discussion followed concerning the duties of the Financial Committee and the auditing of the books.

Mr. Robert Edwards suggested forming an Organization Committee to set up guide lines for Standing Committees. Mr. Edwards volunteered to Chair the Committee. The following members offered to work on the Committee:

1. Dr. B. F. Bullock
2. Mrs. Sparke
3. Mrs. Weing
4. Mrs. Emma Bullock.

Miss Hunter requested how much time is required to have items for discussion ^{included} on the agenda. Mr. Wal Handingham replied one week notice is necessary.

Mr. B. F. Bullock requested a full report from the Dinner Dance Committee be presented at the next Society meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 11⁴⁵ am.

Respectfully submitted
Virginia Bruden