

**MINUTES
Vestry Meeting – July 20, 2011
St. Peter’s Episcopal Church
Salisbury, MD**

PRESENT:

Todd Kissam	Rector
Sean Fahey	Senior Warden
Bob Souza	Junior Warden
Pete Evans	2012
Kyle Heberle	2012
Laura McCarthy	2013
Marc Sevigny	2013
Buck Bailey	2014
Ken Osman	Treasurer
G. A. Harrison	Registrar

NOT PRESENT:

Phil Bradshaw	2012
Sarah Fielding	2013
Gil Allen	2014
Tom Robinson	2014

GUEST(S):

Barb Fisher

Opening Devotion – NAME

Minutes – June 15, 2011 Meeting

Because of the lateness in getting minutes out to the Vestry, the June minutes will be voted on at the August 17 meeting.

Rector’s Report

John Atkins gave the vestry an update on the Kristie Weeks situation.

Re-Staffing of Office –

The Rector needs to have someone to replace Sarah in the office because she will be returning to her full-time job. The Rector recommends that the Parish hire Emily Paul.

The Treasurer confirms that we should have the money.

A motion was made by the Rector that St. Peter’s hire Ms. Paul through December 31, 2011 for 15 hours / week and that the total compensation should not exceed \$4,500.

The motion was seconded by Buck Bailey.

The motion affirmed unanimously.

Music –

Bruce Horner has found an organ that is worth approximately \$106,000 that can be purchased for \$46,000. The Rector is appointing a Music Sub-committee of the Finance Committee to study the matter and make a recommendation to both the Finance Committee and the Vestry. The sub-committee will consist of:

- Bob Souza
- Tom Clarke
- Bruce Horner
- Bill Day

Trudy Day wants to give a \$50 gas card to Bev and Mike Arentz to help defray the cost of supplying the soup kitchen with bread / baked goods each week. The Rector also wishes to recognize CakeArt. No formal motion was made, but there was consensus among the Vestry.

Barb Fisher discussed the kick-off of the Appreciative Inquiry process. The interviews will begin on Sunday, July 31 and finish on Tuesday, August 16. The Appreciative Summit is scheduled for September 17. Barb reminded all vestry members to review the four stages of Appreciative Discernment. Barb will have the statistics available for the September Vestry meeting.

Senior Warden's Report

The Senior Warden discussed the importance of the upcoming Appreciative Inquiry.

Committee Report – Property

Recommend that we move forward with a new alarm system. This will allow us to have individual alarm codes. The monthly monitoring cost will increase approximately \$39 per month. Additional sensors will cost approximately \$325.00, not to exceed \$500.00. A motion was made by the Senior Warden. It was seconded by Marc Sevigny. It carried unanimously.

The Property Committee is moving forward with getting quotes for the Shirley Harding Memorial Garden.

Committee Report – Communications

The vestry was given an update on the web site. We are waiting for a final quote from Mattice Interactive. A copy of Sarh's email will be sent to all of the vestry members and ask for input on Mattice's portfolio.

Committee Report – Activities

Planned Activities:

- Story Telling Workshop
- Contemplative Workshop

We should all keep an eye on the insert in each Sunday's *Key*.

Finance / Treasurer's Report

Some new budget items had to be added. These are all items which are regular expenses but had never been explicitly budgeted:

- Stephen Ministry
- Vestry
- Postage
- Diocesan Convention

Plate offering are off.

Of the Parish's \$20,000 pledge to the Diocese, we have only paid \$4,000 to date.

Because some large pledges were paid in full early in the year, the Parish's financial situation is not as good as it appears in the Treasurer's Report.

Report was received unanimously.

No Correspondence

No Old Business

New Business –

Buck Bailey announced that he, Ginny and Claudia will be moving to Raleigh, NC at the beginning of August.

Father Todd lead us in prayer.

Adjournment

Submitted – August 17, 2011

G. A. Harrison
Registrar