

**St. James Advisory Board Meeting
March 6, 2007**

Present: Cobina Price-Jones (chair), Ruth Sowrey (Secretary), Heather Sabbagh, Dee McEnaney, Bruce Neville, Debra Quarrington, Carl Kinzinger, Deirdre Fowler.

Carl Kinzinger opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the February 6, 2007 Meeting

- Dee McEnaney moved acceptance of the minutes.
- Deirdre Fowler 2nd.
- Passed

Business Arising

- The card for Kim James has still not been taken care of.
- Bruce has the forms for volunteer screening. He will see that they are taken care of.

New Business

Sunday School & Worship

- Cobina gave the history of S.S. practices for attending Eucharists and being in church before the service. Bruce gave the results of the survey on this topic. We don't want families to feel children are not welcome. Children need to spend time at services to learn proper behavior in church. Teachers are divided on the number of Sundays to come up for communion. There does not seem to be a consensus. We will continue as during John's time. It can be reviewed when a new incumbent comes. Carl will speak to Duncan about sidespeople letting S.S. know the appropriate time to come up for communion.

Ministry Day

- Dee reviewed the workshops available on Ministry Day, March 24.

Warden's Report

- The wardens want to move on the search for an Organist/Choir Director. John Heighton is to be asked to chair the search committee.
- The vacuum is a problem again. Dee and John Heighton are going to research new ones. Money will be forthcoming from the Trillium Grant to the Seniors.
- The money basket will go back out at Coffee Hour.
- We want the Men's Breakfast to continue but we need someone to take on the organization.
- We are advertising for an Envelope Secretary.
- During the past the hall has been kept quiet in Holy Week. Bruce thinks we can't afford to tell all our rentals that they can't use it all week. There was consensus that from Thursday through Monday the hall would be kept quiet.
- There was a finance meeting Saturday morning. The new signing authorities will be obtained this week.
- Neil has been working on the budget with Alan. The profit and loss statement was presented.
- The rectory is now vacant. It needs to be checked every three days. It must be inspected by the Regional Dean. We may have a short term rental on a month to month basis.
- Dee asked if we could have soup for the Maunday Thursday dinner instead of Pot Luck, to make it simpler. Yes, we will do this.

Ministry Areas

Social

- Twenty-two attended Theatre Night and had a good time. The next will be May 26.
- The Mystery Dinner made between 500 – 600 dollars.

Service

- Choices are most appreciative for our donations. Suggested items are listed by the baskets.
- There is no chair of the Outreach Committee.

Administration

- We need a new representative for this – also someone to chair the Heritage Committee.

Finance

- At the Saturday meeting we reviewed the statements from our accountant, Brian Flood. He is to be asked for the cost of upgrading our report to a review.
- Carl asked if there were any thoughts on a Fund Raising Chair. No – this is a matter more for the Wardens than the Finance Committee.
- Heather brought up the Mother's Day fashion show that Jennifer Keyes is organizing. It will be in the afternoon, Saturday, May 12. It will be geared to Mothers and daughters. The fashion department at Mayfield will participate along with a number of merchants in the area. Jennifer will need people to help and particularly to sell tickets.

Property

- There have been problems with Daycare. Water was running down the walls of the kitchen and the main door was not opening because of the cement heaving.
- There is no news on the windows.

Worship

- There will be no vigil after the Maundy Thursday service.
- There will be no Easter vigil service on Saturday night.
- The Stations of the Cross will be held on Good Friday.

Education

- The Pancake Supper served 85 people – down from last year. It raised \$200 and Choices were delighted to get the leftover syrup and pancake mix.

Communications

- We had good coverage of the Pancake Race in the Enterprise and Citizen.
- The web site had 1058 hits in February.

Bulletin Board

- April 1 Palm Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00
- April 5 Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm, Dinner, Washing of Feet, Stripping of the Altar.
- April 6 Good Friday 11:00 am, Stations of Cross and service.
- April 8 Resurrection Day 8:00, 9:30, 11:00
- April 15 Confirmation at St. James Cathedral
- May 12 Fashion Show

The meeting closed with the Grace at 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, April 3, 2007
7 P.M.