

**St. James Advisory Board Meeting
February 5, 2008**

Present: Cobina Price-Jones (chair), Ruth Sowrey (Secretary), the Rev. Wendy Moore, Robin Holder, Debra Quarrington, Diane Allengame, Carl Kinzinger, Bruce Neville, Deirdre Fowler.

Wendy opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of the January 8, 2008 Meeting

- Bruce Neville moved acceptance of the minutes.
- Debra 2nd.
- All in favour.

Business Arising

- Have the requested new keys been given out? Gordon has been spoken to but it is unknown whether they have been taken care of. Ruth will check.
- The required payment has been made to Faithworks.

New Business

- Wendy expressed thanks to everyone who came to the hospitality workshop and those who helped out in the background – Olga in the kitchen and Cathy with the children.

Incumbent's Report

- The Hospitality workshop went very well. There were 31 in attendance. Our ten year vision seems to be that people want this to be a good, safe, Christian, welcoming community, growing with young people and filled to capacity.
- The Task Force that has come out of this will include Bruce Neville, Robin Holder, Diane Allengame, Claire Olerenshaw, Howard Jones, David Finch, Margo Young and Michelle Jones. Wendy would like to see a youth added.
- The first Taize service was held at 9:30 am. this past Sunday. The response has been positive and it will be repeated on the first Sunday of each month. The music group for this service is coming together. Wendy would like to do something for Joanne, since she has been so much help. Mary Hutton came to the service and is interested in coming to St. James once a month at 9:30. The music CD used at the 9:30 service is hers and her presence would be a wonderful addition.
- The Matthew movie was cancelled on Friday night due to the weather. A better one is on order and a viewing will be rescheduled.
- "Rule of Life" is the study for Lent.
- Via Media arrived today. It will help us to define who we are as a church community.
- We should use "best practices" for Vestry. Thus a Vestry List will be posted of those eligible for voting at Vestry. Also a declaration must be signed at the Vestry meeting.
- Wendy passed out a plan for the revising of Advisory Board. Names and suggested names were filled in. (As per chart at back)

Warden's Report

- The wardens met with Wendy on Sunday.
- The police checks are 75% complete.
- The Canons, in regard to Vestry, were reviewed thoroughly.
- In review of the Canons, the Baptism Policy should not have gone to Vestry.
- Wendy would like a portion of one of the bulletin boards for Task Force News.
- Concern was expressed about attendance, but it is not believed to be for one single reason.
- There are squirrels in the rectory attic. Gordon is looking into it.
- There is another new window to be installed in the rectory this year.
- The Judge window has been releaded and is now curing. It will be brought back in the warm weather.

- A family oriented dance with a 50's theme is planned for Saturday, May 3. John Heighton will be chair.
- Wendy asked if we could have a yard sale. It is a good "front porch" ministry. It would be good to have it the same day as the village has its sales. We will try to find if that date has been set.
- The Fire Inspector has visited and cited 8 violations. We will be arranging a meeting with the inspector.

Ministry Areas

Finance

- See report received from Neil.

Education

- The Sunday School needs new curriculum booklets. They have finished a series and there are no more in this particular series. They would like either the money for books or some direction on a choice. There is money in the budget for this purpose.

Communications

- The Lent Newsletter has been published.
- The website had 1200+ hits in January.

Bulletin Board

- **Friday Night at the Movies – February 1 and February 19**
- **Ash Wednesday**—Feb 6 @ 7:00
- **Bible Study—Lenten Series:** Feb 13, 20, 27, Mar 5, 12, @ 11:00 a.m.
- **Murder Mystery Dinner**—Feb 16 @ 6:00
- **Theatre Night:** Feb 23.
- **Vestry** – Feb 24
- **Mid-day Service**—Mar 17-19, 12:00 to 12:30
- **Maundy Thursday Pot Luck**—Washing of the Feet, Lord's Supper, Stripping of the Altar—Mar 20 @ 6:00
- **Good Friday Service/Stations of the Cross**—Mar 21 @ 11:00 a.m.
- **Easter Sunday**—Mar 23
- **Bishop Poole's Next Visit – April 20, 2008**
- **May 3 – Dance – Spring Event**

The meeting closed with the Grace at 8:40 pm.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, March 4, 2008
7 P.M.