

**St. James Advisory Board Meeting  
September 15, 2009**

**Present:** Cobina Price-Jones (chair), The Rev. Wendy Moore, Ruth Sowrey (secretary) Diane Allengame, Irma Proctor, Karen Carley, Bruce Neville, Heather Sabbagh.

Regrets: Duncan Quarrington, Donna Davies

Wendy opened the meeting with prayer.

**Minutes of the June 2, 2009 Meeting**

- Diane Allengame moved acceptance of the minutes.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bruce Neville.
- Passed

**New Business**

- Thank yous: The Cemetery Keepers – John Carley, Alan Keyes, Joe Campbell.  
John Carley for all his invaluable help in setting up for the OMB Hearings. Bruce has authorized some new speakers and a wireless microphone.

**Warden's Report**

- Met last Sunday.
- Several property issues were discussed. We will have to hold off on the roof and belfry because of our financial situation. The tenant in the rectory is staying for the present, but this could change soon, so we should be prepared.
- Duncan and Bruce will be sitting on the Cemetery Committee in the future.

**Treasurer's Report**

- See report submitted by Neil.
- There are still questions regarding Outreach funds. Irma is to provide an accounting of what her committee considers they should be credited.

**Ministry Areas**

**Outreach**

- The Committee had a very productive meeting in the summer and have resolved to continue with the concept of Here, Near and Far. This encompasses many efforts.
- Here: visiting sick and shut ins, providing "Shop & Support" coupons to those in need, (It was pointed out that the Bridge Club provided \$200 for coupons.) helping with transportation, encouraging and supporting people.
- Near: Choices, Caledon Kidz, Advent Tree, providing homes for the Seniors and Historical Society.
- Far: sponsoring Luis, our Guatemalan orphan, Faithworks, Primate's World Relief.
- Straightening out our financial position would greatly help us to carry out our plans.
- Heather suggested that we should have donation cards for St. James available for funerals.

**Communications**

- The Newsletter deadline was this last week. It will be published next week.

**Christian Education**

- The Summer Book Club has finished, but decided to carry on through the winter, only meeting once a month. There is a full complement of numbers, but Heather is willing to help anyone interested to set up a parallel group at the church.
- Wendy pointed out an interesting lecture by the Christian/Jewish Dialogue Group about the Dead Sea Scrolls. The information will be posted.

**Youth & Young Families**

- We are joining with Michael Clarke and Christ Church Brampton on several occasions leading up to confirmation again. Christ Church Bolton will also be joining.
- Claire, Michelle and Wendy are developing the Sunday School Program. It will be available on the website for teaching and family participation when people can't make it out to church.

### **Sidespeople**

- Wendy would like a meeting with John Walsh and the sidespeople once John is settled in his new home. She would also like to meet with the Chancel Guild.

### **Fundraising**

- The committee will have a meeting shortly.
- The Bridge Tournament at the Complex will be October 31 – November 1. Bruce will be organizing and this event should be in the bulletin.
- The Finance Committee met before the Summer. They will meet again before the end of the year. A wish list for next year's budget should be compiled.

### **Incumbent's Report**

- There is an upcoming Stewardship Conference.
- Health information re Swine Flu has arrived. There is to be absolutely **no intinction.** This should be clearly explained in the bulletin and verbally.
- There are all sorts of Social Justice meetings going on.
- A parishioner has brought to Wendy's attention a very poor family in Orangeville with a child with mental problems. Could the parish build a basement bedroom? There are some problems attendant (building bylaws, treading on another parishes territory) but this would be a wonderful project and a chance for youth to experience outreach.

### **Bulletin Board**

- **September 18-19** – Youth Overnight is cancelled.
- **September 19** – Sexual Misconduct/CPR Training
- **September 27** – Back to Church Sunday
- **October 18** – Baptisms
- **October 31 – November 1** – Catering for Bridge Tournament

The meeting closed with the Grace.

**Next Meeting - Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 7:00 pm.**