

MINUTES – MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING JULY 14, 2024

In attendance were: Pat Schaffer, Darlene Watson, Kevin Sangster, Margaret McCafferty, and Denise King (on the phone).

The meeting began at 11:05 a.m., with prayer said by all.

Minutes: There were no changes to the Minutes. Pat Schaffer made a Motion to accept the Minutes as read and Denise King seconded same. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

Stewardship: The campaign this year will begin on October 1st. Pledges are due by the end of October so that the Budget can be completed by year end.

Convention: The Convention will be either in person or hybrid and will take place on November 23rd.

Treasurer's Report: Donations/Gifts are coming in for the Basket Auction and the Christmas Raffle, and those monies are being deposited into the Gambling account. A Motion was made by Darlene Watson to accept the Financial Report as read and was seconded by Margaret McCafferty. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

Due to an error in the Diocesan financial records, they are down a considerable amount of money and Kevin has proposed that we wait to send our Fair Share contribution till the end of the year or until we receive our Mission Grant support so we can avoid cash flow issues. All were in favor.

Sr. Warden's Report: Kevin reports that April Mae Rugletic is gradually being given more responsibility in the office.

Kevin has left a message for the Boro Mayor, but since our property is held in Trust by the Diocese, we should begin speaking with the Diocese on how we go about the process of constructing a new building.

The church is still taking orders for pavers and depending upon how many orders are received the price may stay the same or increase. There is a minimum of twenty orders needed.

Jr. Warden's Report: The new Sexton is fitting in nicely and doing a good job. Our landscaping company will not be doing the weeding of the flower beds and cleanup, as the Sexton will be doing those.

Outreach: Pat Schaffer mentioned that Fr. and Cynthia are happy to give any talks or bring in speakers for talks. Kevin reiterated that the purpose of our Outreach is to market and promote our church to the surrounding areas. The Gift Program and ECW also fall into the Outreach category. Andy Listman handles Liturgy/Music. Next year Kevin will reach out to “Dan” at Empire Events and find out if they are insured and licensed and if his prices are lower than J-Dogs. Fr. Russell is being awarded “Priest Emeritus” status at his former parish, St. Uriel’s. Fr. Russell will not be with us for the first three weeks in September. Pat Schaffer mentioned that Fr. Van Sant has said he is available to do Supply.

Unfinished Business: Nominations for the Distinguished Service Award have been tallied, and Regina Listman will receive the award at the Founders’ Day Luncheon. The Nominating Committee will meet after services on July 28, to choose the recipient of the Faith and Service Award.

Kevin and the Mission Committee that were present went through all the questions in the Mission Annual Report and the questions were all answered. One of the suggestions for one of the questions was that we serve a meal at the Ronald McDonald House in Camden.

Margaret offered she will start advertising for donations for the Gloucester County Animal Shelter and will give Kevin a list of items needed.

A Motion was made to conclude the meeting by Darlene Watson and seconded by Pat Schaffer. All were in favor and the Motion passed.

The meeting ended at 1:31 p.m. with prayer said by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret McCafferty
Secretary, Mission Committee