St. John in the Wilderness

Church Council Meeting

October 10, 2019

Present: Ken Walker, Peter Langille Dave Hains, Denise Hilary, Sandra Fraser, Brent Anderson, Shirley MacKenzie, Brian Fogg, Sean Eaton, Brenda Clingersmith, Peter Langille, Ron Johnson

Regrets: Ingrid Schmid, Janice MacAlpine

Rev Sean opened the meeting in prayer. He read a passage from Jean Vanier, "Sign of the times".

Old Minutes

The old minutes were accepted as presented.

Business arising from the minutes

Treasurer's Report

Revenue years to \$78,278, this is below target and behind last years pace.

Envelope givings remain \$3500 less than last year. Dave projects that we will not make our targets.

We got a check back from the diocese for \$605, the diocese had overcharged us on pension.

We are \$11,000 at outreach commitment to date.

Accepted. Dave/Ken

Dave suggested that with outreach. We have not yet donated to Primates World Relief Development Fund (PWRDF). We gave them \$4000 last year. Dave recommended we donate \$4000 to PWRDF in October.

Accepted. Brenda/Ron. Passed

Rectors Report

The Optimist are organizing the November 10 Remembrance service at Camlachie. The have decided not to have a worship service as part of the remembrance day service. Sean has voiced his displeasure. Sean has suggested that we move the Service that day to 9 AM to allow people to go to the Remebrance Service in Camlachie. We agreed.

Sean has been in talks with Lyra Choir from London to come and do the lessons and Carol Service. The tentative date would be Dec 8, back up date Dec 22 2019.

Sean will advertise this to the community. He will discuss with Debbie the plans for the Sunday school Christmas pageant.

Warden's Report

Brenda thanked Sean for promoting Fundscript. We discussed Fundscript as a fundraiser.

Shirley reported on a recent article in the Anglican Journal regarding grants for going green from the Anglican Foundation.

We are already doing most of these things. Shirley discussed this with Susan Halliday, and Susan and Bob have discussed putting in a pollinating garden in the back yard. We talked about putting in a bee hive.

Brian suggested we explore switching out our lights for LED lights and wondered if this would be covered by the grant program. They will explore this.

New business

We discussed that we are currently not donating money to the Anglican foundation. Brian moved we send \$100 to the Anglican Foundation. Seconded Brent. Passed.

Brenda reported the ACW had the Deanery meeting today. Michelle Collins Wonke presided.

Correspondence

The next Deanery meeting will be Christ Church Dresden November 12.

Closing.

Denise has proposed we close the meeting.

The meeting was closes with the Grace.