

St. John in the Wilderness

Church Council Meeting Thurs. May 10, 2018

Regrets: Brenden Fraser

Present: Brent Anderson, Sandra Fraser Dave Hains, Shirley MacKenzie, Nancy Mann, Denise Hilary, Brian Fogg, Ken Walker, Peter Langille, Janice McAlpine

Brent welcomed a new grandchild (number 4...all boys) to the family yesterday. Congratulations!!

Opening Reflection - Janice (who was sorry she was tardy). Janice opened with a rogation day prayer.

Old Minutes

The minutes of last month's meeting were accepted as presented. Adopted. Brian/Denise.

Business arising from the minutes

We have set aside \$2000 for parishioners to go to Huron Church Camp. Nancy has spoken to the Iacobelis' they are interested. Perrin Langille is interested. It will go in the bulletin this week. If not enough children come forward, the rest of the money will be donated to the Church Camp.

Treasurer's Report

Dave presented the treasurers report.

Revenue year to date is \$38618, expenses \$37160. We on budget for the year.

Our envelope givings are behind last year, year to date by \$3000. Dave is a bit concerned about this trend. This will impact outreach in future years. We are not paying a full time minister, our expenses are down so it's not causing a shortfall at present.

Adopted. Dave/Brent

Warden's Report

Shirley and Sandra had no news.

The plant sale is pending, Sandra could use more volunteers for the event on May 26 2018. She could use more plants and garden utensils donated for sale. She will address the congregation again on Sunday, and put up a sign up sheet.

New Business

Leslie Grieve is planning for Vacation Bible School July 16-20 July. She needs 1 kg peanut butter jars, 2 litre Pop bottles and volunteers!

A New Syrian family is coming. It was voted on at last night by the Deanery. They are waiting for more funds to be donated before the family can be invited. A specific family of persecuted Christians have been selected. If people wish to donate...contact the Lambton Area Refugee Committee or Vickers Hodge at Trinity Anglican Church. They want more volunteers to come forward to help settle the families. They are planning for 2019.

Peter proposed we add younger people to the reader's list or any other activities in the church. Interested young people are welcome to contact people on the "List of officers" posted in the church hall.

Heather will post a lawn mowing list, we are looking for volunteers for mowing the lawn again this summer.

Correspondence

Marylin Gladu MP has sent around a petition to be signed asking for support on her efforts to block repeals in the criminal code. We will post this in the church hall.

Other Business

Brent was approached by Betty Greening, money has come in from Harry's funeral to be donated to the church. She was looking for a specific cause to donate money to. Likely we will purchase new Books of Alternative Services.

Christ Church Camlachie has been turned into a very cool Air B+B!

Closing

The meeting was closed in prayer. Nancy/Ken