

St. John in the Wilderness

Church Council Meeting Thurs. November 8, 2018

Regrets: Denise Hillary, Brenden Fraser, Ken Walker, Shirley MacKenzie

Present: Nancy Mann, Ingrid Schmid, Dave Hains, Brent Anderson, Brian Fogg, Peter Langille, Sandra Fraser, Janice McAlpine

Agenda

Opening – Reflection. The meeting was opened with a reflection prayer by Janice

Minutes, previous meeting (corrections, approval)

No Corrections

Business arising from the minutes

Brent presented AC quotes for the Parish Hall from Marks Comfort Tech and Sarnia Heating and Electric, the latter being the lowest. A third quote from Saucier Plumbing and Heating Ltd. is expected in the coming week at which time Council will vote electronically to choose a contractor. Brent will meet with an electrician to verify exactly how much amperage the church can handle.

Treasurer's Report

-Monthly financials

We remain in good financial position. Envelope givings continue down 3% of budget, Dave is frustrated by this continuing trend. We received a cheque from Fundscrip in the amount of \$1,396 from the purchase of gift cards. Thanks Sandra and all who support this program! Outreach funds continue to be allotted. Huron House Boys Home, St. Joseph's Hospice and Alzheimer Society of Sarnia-Lambton each received \$1,000.00. Dave/Nancy.

Warden's Report

Vestry will be held on January 13th, 2019. The Diocese is forming a Bishop's Commission for rural churches of Lambton/Kent. This will entail five weekly meetings beginning in January with most meetings to be held in Wallaceburg. Council feels that St. John's should be represented therefore Sandra will obtain further information for discussion by the Executive.

New Business

Our Parish Profile compiled by the Selection Committee was presented and favourably received. Please contact Dave Hains if you wish a copy emailed to you.

Correspondence

The Rev'd. Patricia Allison who delivered the sermon on A.C.W. Sunday sent a gracious thank you email. It is posted on the A.C.W. bulletin board.

Other Business

Our research has determined that we own the largest print missal available. Should a priest require larger print for the Eucharist it will be enlarged inhouse. Janice/Ingrid

Further discussion regarding the volume of sound during sermons took place. Peter will meet with Brenden to discuss this further.

Closing

The meeting was moved adjourned by Brian and Ingrid and closed in prayer.