

St. Luke's Anglican Church
MINUTES OF ST. LUKE'S VESTRY MEETING
Tuesday, September 18th, 2007

Father Brownlie led opening prayer.

1. Chairperson Susan Tinsley brought the meeting to order at 7:15p.m.

Before the meeting Marilyn Jackson presented a cake for her birthday.

2. Attendance

Present: Pauline Evison, Colin Briggs, Marilyn Jackson, John Loewen, Father Brownlie, Bill Brant, Susan Tinsley, Dorothy Privensal, Paul Earl, Randy Van Vliet, Barbara Fisher.

Regrets: Peggy Eastwood, Bruce Gandier.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Marilyn Jackson, seconded by Randy Van Vliet the approval of the agenda with Barb Fisher's addition to discuss a church directory. **Carried.**

4. Approval of the May 15th minutes

Moved by Bill Brant, seconded by Colin Briggs the approval of the minutes. **Carried.**

5. Financial Report

Treasurer John Loewen reported from a prepared YTD Jan – Aug, 2007 profit and loss summary sheet. Giving on budget or better financial picture. Touched on the grants yet to come to cover the roof and masonry repairs to the bell tower.

Moved by John the acceptance of the financial report, seconded by Father Brownlie. **Carried.**

6. Reports

1. Accessibility –

Colin gave an overview of the progress of the “lift”. Have done well with grants from Winnipeg Foundation and Manitoba Historical Resources . A site meeting takes place every second Monday morning. Parsons Plumbing/Heating Co. has the contract to re-connect the boiler.

Because of the position of a structural beam the lift entrance to the parish hall behind the stage has been moved by one foot from the original plan. There is an area nearby that will be used for storage beside this entrance and possibly storage under the stage.

Monies for the lift project is always welcome. There is GST rebate.

Plans to invite Gord Menzies to oversee that the heritage of the building is maintained, with regard to selecting and storing tyndall stone, and appearance of the building.

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2. **Chancel Guild** -Have not met
3. **Choir** – no report.

4. **Columbarium** – Dorothy questioned the \$1300.00 of a sold niche when the price is \$2500.00 It was explained that it is a shared niche.
She will also update and refresh the ad in the Rupert's Land news, and on St. Luke's website. To avoid confusion about who can avail the columbarium niches the name “*Soldier*” will be dropped from the ad and website.
Dorothy will talk to Neil Almdal of these plans.
The RLN has a new editor – Terance Moore.

5. **Day Care** – John reported that Kevin Webb (grounds maintenance) asked that the south side of the church house, and east side of the church be cleaned up. Also if the fence is needed. It was put up at the request of the former day care director. The ceiling tiles still need replacing. The size of 6' x 3' tiles are difficult to find. Len Clace is taking care of this.
John Loewen will bring to the next meeting a cost estimate for lexan windows for the south side – day care area.

6. **“Delicious Dishes”** - Moved by Father Brownlie, seconded by Marilyn to remove the name. Catering will be considered upon request(s).

7. **Property/Men of St. Luke**
Previously discussed. Bill further added that an asbestos survey was done and the church is relatively alright as long as the floor tiles and the elbows of the heating pipes are not disturbed.

8. **Mission/Outreach** – no report.
9. **Rector's Report** – Father Brownlie and Susan Tinsley will be attending a lecture by a Catholic Priest as representatives of the Diocese on October 16th.
10. **St. Luke's 4 F's Group** – all quiet.
11. **Sunday School** – Class will begin, with registration, a walk and a luncheon.
New teacher Joy Loewen and new students.

12. **Synod/Diocese** – Faith Horizons will take place on October 19th and 20th at St. Mary's Academy. The theme is Building Vital Churches Together.
Moved by Father Brownlie, seconded by Colin to find an alternate to attend Faith Horizons.
13. **Winged Ox** - next issue will come out October 21st, submissions should be in to Don Seaton by October 14th.
14. **Women's Groups** – Altar Guild to be made aware that Barbara is the liaison for them on vestry.

Marilyn Jackson will continue to submit articles to the Rupert's Land News, featuring the events at St. Luke.

Barbara moved/seconded by John the acceptance of the reports.

Carried.

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7. **Old Business:**

(A) Stewardship Update

Father Brownlie distributed to vestry members copies of the book "From Scarcity to Abundance", a complete guide to Parish Stewardship by David Ponting. Pledge cards and letters inviting the parishioners to a luncheon will be mailed out. Cards will be collected on Sunday, October 21st. This Sunday will include Confirmation with the Bishop, Patronal Festival, blessings of the elevator and St. Alban's Oratory with a reception to follow. Follow up calls re the pledge cards will take place the following week.

(B) Pastoral Care Update

Marilyn spoke from her prepared report. She expressed gratitude for the pastoral care she received during her illness. Father Brownlie added that there are four active home visitation groups. Plans are underway to form a phoning team.

8. **New Business**

(A) Father Brownlie moved, seconded by John the approval to license Barbara Fisher and Heather Baxter-Naughten as lay administrators. **Carried.**

(B) Moved by Father Brownlie, seconded by Pauline to empower the corporation to negotiate with Christian Science to hold their services on Wednesday evenings in the Church, with the understanding that St. Luke's Wednesday evening services, i.e. during Holy Week, will have priority, **Carried.**

(C) Moved by Father Brownlie, that the lectern side of the church be called "*St. Alban's Oratory*" (former daughter Church of St. Luke). Seconded by Barbara. **Carried.**

(D) Moved by Barbara Fisher, seconded by Father Brownlie to inquire into organizing a Church Directory. **Carried.**

9. Barb adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m

Closing prayer.

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.

IN THE BOARD ROOM