

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
MINUTES OF VESTRY  
June 20, 2011

The Vestry of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Benton, Arkansas, met in the church fellowship hall on Thursday, June 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM. Present were Nancy Hornstein, Senior Warden; Caroline Robinson, Junior Warden; Chris Ellis, Selena Ellis, Susan Alford and the Rev. Lorrie Slaymaker, Vicar. Also present was Dawn Leslie, Secretary and Melinda Hood, Treasurer.

The Vicar called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Evening prayer was led by Nancy Hornstein.

The May minutes were submitted by Dawn Leslie. Hornstein moved to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Selena Ellis. The motion carried unanimously.

The Financial Report for May was presented by Melinda Hood. Selena Ellis moved to approve the financial report as presented, Hornstein seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Melinda Hood will seek estimates for:

- Concrete slab for storage building
- Construction of Building
- Repairs to Vicarage

CCCD is June 25 to July 2. Lorrie and Fanny Jones will attend with Diocese paying cost.

Kristen Davis has requested to be wed at St. Matthew's. The vestry discussed the request and Selena Ellis moved to allow the wedding, which was seconded by Robinson. The motion passed unanimously.

The RB House rental agreement has been signed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Easter Picnic was a success despite the terrible weather. The Kids Club raised \$122 for the Japan Earthquake Response Fund through the Episcopal Relief Fund.

**Vicar's Report:**

Trying to find a date for Youth Formation during this busy summer.

Bishop's visitation is set for Sunday, December 18 which is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Kids Club dates are needed for the 2011-2012 Calendar

**Senior Warden:**

Discussed concerns with continued downward trend of attendance.

**Junior Warden:**

Lawn mowing going slowly

Directional sign which came down in the storm will be removed

Ceiling in the Sunday school room and replacing the thermostat in the Fellowship hall is on hold for now

The window seal in the church is broken and it is expected to be very costly to repair. The window is “cloudy” but there is no moisture, so this is on hold for now.

**ECW:**

Woolen Works had 12 participants at last gathering with lots of energy and 2 new women attending who are not church members. They have completed two lap blankets so far.

**Boot Sale:**

Possibly in fall if there is any interest, but no real interest expressed at this time.

Calendar Reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dawn S. Leslie  
Vestry Secretary