ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH MINUTES OF VESTRY January 16th, 2012

The Vestry of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Benton, Arkansas, met in regular session in the fellowship hall on January 16th, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Present were Glen Poteet, Chris Ellis, Selena Ellis, Melinda Hancock, Susan Alford, and the Rev. Lorrie Slaymaker, Vicar. Also present was Melinda Hood, Treasurer.

The Vicar called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Evening Prayer was led by Rev. Lorrie Slaymaker.

The December minutes were submitted by Chris Ellis. Discussion amended the minutes to include the Vestry's email approval between December and January meetings for Virginia Strohmeyer-Miles to receive a Christmas bonus of \$100.00. Selena Ellis moved to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Melinda Hancock. The motion carried unanimously.

The Financial Report for December was reviewed. Chris Ellis moved to approve the report, seconded by Susan Alford. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Vicar's Housing Allowance 2012 - Selena Ellis moved for the allowance to be retroactive to the first of the year, seconded by Chris Ellis. The motion carried unanimously.

February Vestry Retreat -

All were in favor of having the Vestry retreat at Susan Benzick's house. <u>Menu Items for Retreat</u>: Selena Ellis – Baked Beans Chris Ellis – Cabbage Slaw Rev. Lorrie Slaymaker – Finger Food & Orange Juice Susan Alford – Cheese Soup

Oaxaca Trip for Church Members June 9-16, 2012

Abandoned buildings adjacent to the church

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Allied Waste Garbage Pick-up – Garbage had not been picked-up for 4 weeks.

Boy Scouts leader Dennis Hyde retiring in end of 2012

New Agenda Item

Souper Bowl (Will be held on Friday February 3rd at First United Methodist Church of Benton) – We need 1 soup recipe and several people to make crock-pots of the soup.

OLD BUSINESS

Rental of the RB House – It is now being rented.

Delegates for Convention February 17th & 18th –

Delegates: Bucky Ellis & Chris Ellis

Alternate Delegate: Selena Ellis

Year End Reports Due January 15th

Vicar, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, ECW, CDC Stewardship, Sunday School, Kid's Club, Adult Sunday School.

<u>Received</u>: Stewardship, Christian Formation, Fanny; CDC: Allison; Senior Warden, Nancy

Vestry Nominations - Fanny Jones (said "yes") & Randy Henderson (??) If Randy says no, we'll ask Debi Hansen or Dawn Leslie.

Vestry Secretary: Lorrie will ask Dawn Leslie & Allison Nolley

Vicar's Report

Non Vacation or rather January 2-3 vacation Vacation scheduled for March 15-22

Senior Warden Report

(No Report)

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Junior Warden's Report

Water leaks in church roof over classroom (remains) Fellowship Hall Men's Restroom (Fixed)

Other Reports

Vestry Buddy System – Selena and Dawn (Going well) Vestry Pray Inquiries – Chris Ellis (Going well) ECW – Caroline (Soup Lunch moved to March 4th) Woolen Works – Caroline (No Report) CDC – Dawn (No Report) Stewardship Committee – Chris Ellis (No Report)

<u>Calendar</u>

Annual Meeting: January 22 Winter Vestry Retreat: February 4 Boy Scout Sleep Over: February 4-5 Diocesan Convention: February 17-18 Shrove Tuesday: February 21 Ash Wednesday: February 22 Soup Sale (ECW); March 4 Spring Break: March 19-23 Palm Sunday: April 1 Easter: April 8 Pentecost: May 27 The calendar was reviewed.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Glen Poteet Vestry Member