

ST. BONIFACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Vestry Meeting Minutes - June 25, 2026

5:30 Gathering Time for Spiritual Direction – Nikki

6.00 The meeting was called to Order & Roll Call was held.

Present: Justin Miller (Sr. Warden), Mark Johnston (Jr. Warden), Cass Anderson, Carol Gilchrist, Bob Moody, Prill Nugent, Trudi Williams, Christine Puthoff

Zoom: Marjorie Floyd, Dick Smoot

Absent: Suzanne Barksdale, Wendy Prell

Other Attendees: Nikki Seger (Rector), Sharon Alden (Clerk), Jen Foster (Vestry Intern)

A. Consent Agenda

1. May Vestry Meeting Minutes
2. Treasurer's May Financial Reports
3. Grants and Outreach Report
4. Rector Report

This was pulled for an update from Nikki. See under New Business.

Carol made a motion to accept the consent agenda and Trudi seconded it. It passed unanimously.

B. Old Business

1. Insurance Update

The options available were emailed to each parish to decide. St. Boniface is going to move to Brown & Brown, effective July 1st. The new premium will be known on July 3rd. The Diocese will be billed and will apportion it for each parish.

2. Realm

The email and news portions are now available and the serving teams lists are being created. In the future, accounting functions will be moved from ACS to Realm. An email invitation to sign up on the site is being sent to all parishioners this Sunday and help signing up will be available after church in the near future.

C. New Business

1. The Rectors Report

Nikki updated the Vestry about a new candidate for Assistant. She has had a phone interview followed up by a zoom interview. The applicant, Jewels Wolf, is a trans woman and was formerly a teacher and she is also a musician. There was a

discussion of her qualifications, possible controversy, etc. and that the position would be as Curate. A motion was made by Mark to follow up with her regarding the position. It was seconded by Carol and approved unanimously.

2. Jr. Warden Report

a. Hearing Loop replacement

The system has been installed and is working well. The estimate of \$3695.30 was high and the actual cost was \$3510.30.

Due to the urgency, a motion was made previously by email to approve the required replacement of audio loop equipment by Hearing Solutions for \$3,695. Funds will come from the Audio Equipment line in the Operating Budget. The motion was accepted and approved.

b. OWL approval

A motion was made by Marjorie to accept a parishioner donation of the funds to buy the OWL system for zoom meetings.

3. Bylaws Update

4. Conflict of Interest

It was decided to continue to review these items and discuss at the next meeting.

5. Candlelight Concert increase discussion

There was a discussion of the current rates charged and whether they should be increased. There are currently two different fees charged depending upon the day of the show and whether there is one show or two. We also charge \$75.00 month for storage of their equipment. After consideration of the increased costs of energy, labor and also wear and tear on the property, it was decided to negotiate with them regarding an increase in fees. Justin reminded the Vestry that because they are using our worship space, a contract cannot be longer than a year.

D. Other Business/Reports

1. Incident Report Form

Be sure to notify the office of any incident and make sure the report is completed. It is necessary to have a record in case it becomes necessary to file with insurance (workers comp, etc.)

2. Litigation update

Bob provided an update on the litigation and said the Cannon appealed and filed asking for a written report to submit to the Supreme Court. The Appellate Court denied the appeal. Our attorneys want us to proceed with filing to recoup our

legal fees. They have agreed to do so on a contingency basis so it was agreed to file.

Vestry minute (two) topics and presenter

Justin will do presentations on Realm and the new church insurance.

Post-meeting evaluation

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Alden, Clerk of the Vestry

Calendar Items:

- **6/29: Healing Mission open (10a-12p)**
- **6/29: Upper Room Prayer Group (5p-5:45p)**
- **6/30: Tuesday Eucharist (10a)**
- **7/1: Wednesday Worship & Potluck (5:30-7p)**
- **7/4: Taize (6pm)**
- **7/6: Upper Room Prayer Group (5p-5:45p)**
- **7/7: Tuesday Eucharist (10a)**
- **7/8: Wednesday Worship & Potluck (5:30-7p)**
- **7/13: Upper Room Prayer Group (5p-5:45p)**
- **7/14: Tuesday Eucharist (10a)**
- **7/15: Wednesday Worship & Potluck (5:30-7p)**
- **7/16: July Vestry Meeting (5:30p)**