

# The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dunedin, Florida

## Minutes of the Vestry Meeting August 28, 2019

Members Present: Pastor Becky Robbins-Penniman, Dan Depies, Cheryl Sharpe, Jim Ratliff, Diane Niford, John Russotto, Bill Blizzard, Joe Nixon, Andrea Zahn (clerk).

Members Absent: Deacon Cindy Roehl, Robyn Harker, Phil Beauchamp

### I. Call to Order and Opening Devotions

- The meeting was called to order by Pastor Becky Robbins-Penniman at 6:37PM

### II. Opening Devotions and Spiritual Journey

- The Opening Devotion and Spiritual Journey were given by Pastor Becky

### III. Information

#### A. Mark Your Calendars

- **Sept. 5:** Fall Deanery Convocation @ 7 pm
- **Sept. 8: Welcome Dawn Gordon to Good Shepherd**
- **Sept. 18: Wine & Cheese party for newcomers @ 5:30 pm**
- **Sept. 20:** Parish Game Night @ 6:30 pm
- **Sept. 25:** Invite • Welcome • Connect training 1-4 pm @ DaySpring
- **Sept. 25: Vestry Meeting @ 6:30 pm**
- **Sept. 29: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Coffee Hour**
- **Oct. 11-13:** Diocesan Convention in Punta Gorda

#### B. Report on Risk Review Meeting of August 22, 2019

- Becky reported that the church got a good review, but the inspector made a few suggestions.

### IV. Decision

#### A. Consent Items

- July 24, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes
- ADA—adaptations: ratify email vote approving the contract
- Motion to approve by Diane Niford. Seconded by John Russotto
- Approved

#### B. Decision

- **Title Search:** Whether to have a title-search on church-owned property
- Members were given Vestry minutes from 1973, and Cheryl Sharpe moved to decide that a full title search is not necessary.
- The motion was seconded by Joe Nixon

- Approved.
- **Transition Planning** [Executive Session]
- Cheryl Sharpe moved to have the Vestry enter into Executive Session for Transition Planning.
- Jim Ratliff seconded.
- Approved
- Following the Executive Session Cheryl Sharpe moved to return to the meeting agenda which was seconded by Jim Ratliff.
- Approved.

## V. Discussion

### A. 2018 Audit Response from Diocese

- Joe Nixon distributed the recommendations memo from the Diocese.

### B. Furniture Thrift Store Capital Expenditure Issues

- Dan Depies reported that the store has made donations and in-kind vouchers to other organizations. They make a tremendous contribution to needy individuals in the community.
- All-time record for volunteer hours from 60 volunteers from the church and the community.
- A City of Clearwater grant may be an option.

### C. Invite Welcome Connect: Events now being planned by the Team

- Bill Blizzard reported that events are being planned by the Team.
- Ideas include Supper Club, Wine and Cheese on 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month for those who may be considering joining the church, etc.
- Dates need to be planned for New Member Colloquiums and New Member Socials.

### D. Sanctuary access for the community during the week: options?

- This item was not discussed.

## VI. Planning

### A. Welcome Dawn Gordon on September 8

- Cheryl Sharpe reported a welcome breakfast is planned for September 8. Vestry members will supplement with dishes.

### B. Ministry Fair in October

- A Ministry Fair is scheduled for October 27<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Fall Festival on October 26 and 27.

## VII. Closing Devotions

- The closing devotion was given by Pastor Becky Robbins-Penniman

**VIII. Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Zahn  
Substitute Clerk