

Church Committee Meeting January 10, 2024

Attendees: Cindi Barkley, Deanne Bellinger, Edmund Clavette, Carolyn Chretien, James Fennell, James Koepfler, Beth Sanford, Patricia Sanford, Pastor Kelly Thibeault, Linda Vogler. Absent: Janice Dumont.

Linda called the meeting to order at 7:05. Pastor Kelly led us in the opening prayer. Linda then reminded us of the covenant and how we should temper passion with compassion.

There were no corrections to last meeting's minutes and Ed made a motion that they be accepted. Pat seconded it and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's report was given and there was a question as to why we had more expenses than income. It was the purchase of fuel oil. There was also a question about whether we should take up a collection on Christmas Eve. It was left unanswered. Jim F. made a motion to accept the report and Ed seconded it. The motion passed.

Buildings and Grounds reported that lights are being installed in Maxcy Hall and Dan Thibeault will be replacing the threshold and rear door of the schoolhouse. The church did flood but not the kitchen, vestry, and bathrooms. Kathy Harrop's grandson will be volunteering to help with the cleanup. Pat suggested keeping all things up off the floor and Jim F. suggested building the wall higher.

The pet clinic grossed \$564 and the next clinic is February 10th. Certifications for the kitchen are all set and the kitchen is to be inspected. Ed sold the deacons benches.

Annual reports are due January 14th and we need to have a Vice Moderator.

With respect to new members, Pastor Kelly asked that because there was no church last Sunday, that we announce new members in the Friday email. Ed made the motion to do so and Pat seconded it. The motion passed.

Linda asked what the criteria was for cancelling worship. It would be in a 6 PM email after conferring with the moderator and the building and grounds person.

In discussing the budget, Pastor Kelly is to get a 3% raise, Jim F. made the motion to approve and Ed seconded it. Food, Faith and Fun to get an increase in the Christian Education budget. Jim F. made the motion to accept the budget and Pat seconded it. The motion passed.

A suggestion was made that maybe we should have training in the various ministries so that people would know just what the ministry is about and what role you would play in it. Every ministry is to meet in February.

Pastor Kelly led us in a closing prayer and Linda adjourned the meeting at 8:22.

Respectfully submitted,
Deanne Bellinger
Clerk