



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

**MINUTES OF THE CHAPTER MEETING**

January 21, 2010

Present: Rev. David Drebert, Bruce Bauer, John Bendler, Suzanne Cornell, Fred Kaems, Mary Kaems, Alec Kopitzke, Lyn Morander, Chris Reynolds, Peg Winslow.

Excused: Marcia Brooks, Ann Thorson

Absent: Jeff Waring

**Opening Prayer:** The meeting was opened with prayer at 6:33PM.

**Clerk's Report/Minutes of the last Chapter Meeting:** The minutes of the December 17, 2009 meeting were adopted.

**December Financial Report:** John Bendler stated the correct total for the 2009 Plate and Pledge Income [Page 2 Line Item: Income Total 1] should be \$ 192,552 and not \$194,130.19. This is because the accounting firm and the counting tally sheets are compiled differently. The shortfall for 2009 was \$ 11,089.89. We have received approximately \$ 19,000 in 2010 pre-paid pledges. The December 2009 financial report was accepted with the correction.

**Acting Dean's Report:** The Bishop will be with us 2 Sundays in Lent in addition to Ash Wednesday and most of Holy Week. The 5 Lenten programs will begin on Thursday February 25 with a pot luck supper and programs on Rules of Life. Bishop Miller will conduct the first 3, and Fr Steve Teague of St Paul's and Fr Drebert will each conduct one. Members from St Paul's and St Mark's will be invited to join us. The Easter Vigil will be at All Saints this year.

-We need to be in compliance with the Diocese Sexual Abuse Prevention policy "Safeguarding God's Children". Fr Drebert will see about having a training session at All Saints.

-The annual Parochial report is being prepared. Fr. indicated average Sunday attendance was down from 163 in 2008 to 144 in 2009.

-Discretionary fund is now at \$ 2200.

-Feb 26-27 there will be a Diocesan Youth "Night Watch" sleepover held at All Saints.

-There have been a number of newcomers. We need to have a Newcomers program-both an instructional class and some type of social event.

-The bishop would like to attend part of the Annual Chapter retreat so the dates will be set by the Bishop's calendar. Tentatively it will be February 19/20 or 26/27

-Fr. Drebert completing his probationary period and will soon become an Oblate of Julian of Norwich.

**Senior Warden's Report:** The Cathedral Constitution needs to have 2 amendments approved at the Parish Annual Meeting. **1.** Change the name of the Registered Agent to read the "Current or Acting Dean". **2.** By-laws were changed in 2008 to allow Chapter members to serve 2 consecutive terms and Wardens up to 6 years-3 in each position but the Constitution was not changed.

-Bruce will draft the amendments and have them posted on the bulletin board so they can be reviewed by those who wish before the Annual meeting.

**Junior Warden's Report:** The Zone 15 Sensor which is one of the Narthex doors is malfunctioning will need to be replaced at approx \$ 100.00. One of the steps on the basement stairs is loose and the sexton will repair it. In the spring we will ask the sexton to re-paint the parking lot lines so the entrance to the west basement is clearly marked.

### **Committee Reports:**

- a.) Book Sale (Cornell) A check that had been returned previously for insufficient funds and now made "good" was turned over to be used for Haiti Earthquake relief
- b.) Nominations (Bauer) There are 7 nominations but the names were not available. Some of the nominees have not turned in their "Bios" so we will ask them to make a 2 minute presentation at the annual meeting.
- c.) Outreach (Reynolds) Meetings will be moved to the first Monday of every month at 4 PM so Choir members can attend.
- d.) Stewardship (Bauer and Bendler) We have 89 pledges for 2010 totaling \$ 159,600 with 2 more promised. There are a number who are regular contributors but did not pledge. The time and talent portions of the pledge cards will be separated and compiled by Lyn Morander. It was agreed that Fr Drebert will send emails thanking those who have pledged.

### **Other Business:**

1. The fancy chocolate bars that were made for our fund raiser are missing.
2. 2010 Budget- a 6 month budget was presented. We discussed what could be done to reduce the deficit, especially as we begin the call process. There is possible Diocesan and individual assistance to pursue for Call expenses. The insurance figures for the Parish Administrator seem to be incorrect. It was agreed to accept the 6 month budget subject to the clarification of the insurance figures for the Administrator.
3. Call Committee- The non-chapter members of the committee will be Gary Kampe, Liz Kohlbeck, Marshall Pepper, and Madeleine Turner. The first meeting will be Sunday January 24, 2009 following the 10:00 service. A prayer for the call committee process will be included in the Sunday bulletin and the newsletter.

**Closing Prayer:** The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 8:25 PM.

The next Chapter meeting will be held during the Chapter Retreat, date to be announced.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Kaems for Ann Thorson

