

The July 19, 2009 Vestry Meeting was held at St. Francis' Parish Hall and called to order at 11:15 a.m., with Fr. Kelsey providing the opening prayer. Present: Sr. Warden: Brad Bode, presiding, Jr. Warden: Don Eigenberg, Vestry members: Darcy Haslam, Pati McLellan, Gina Shedd, Joyce Walsh, and Chris Kelley. Guests: Priest Bob Manasek, treasurer Don Kepler, and Jane Sayre as secretary. Absent: Sheryl Spath. Excused absent: Julie Fancher, Don Gable.

Fr. Kelsey confirmed that Canon Anderson will be visiting the last week in July, and has agreed to meet at Darcy Haslam's home for a bar-b-que on Friday, July 31st, and meeting with vestry members afterwards. Randy Yates will supply the steaks for grilling, found at a discount price. Darcy provided a list of foods needed, and various members volunteered to furnish the side dishes.

Update on Search for Musician was given by Fr. Kelsey, who is meeting with a potential prospect Tuesday morning for an interview. The issue of compensation (the going rate) needed to be discussed, as what is budgeted is going to fall short of what will be needed. Kelsey reminded members of the \$10K gift from Georgene Diers, and asked if members thought it a good idea to designate those funds to the music ministry. After discussing various options, and thoughts, members agreed that Georgene would be pleased to have part of her legacy used for music. Brad advised Kelsey to "use your best discretion".

Brad presented a "**Legacy Society Project**" letter he had received from the Diocese. He also presented an appeal from Summit Christian College, which is doing a fund raiser for scholarships etc., asking for our help. Darcy noted that Prairied Treasures wants to donate funds to Thomas Chen at his upcoming recital at St. Francis. After discussion, **Motion** to donate \$100 to Summit Christian College, and \$100 to Thomas Chen, with funds coming out of the "Pig" money, was made by Gina, seconded by Pati, and approved.

Habitat for Humanity project director, Dan Ramsey, spoke with Brad, prospecting for more helpers on the current house at the corner of 15th & 10th, in Scottsbluff. Kelsey will check with Sheryl Spath & see what will match our schedule, maybe targeting a September work day, as August is pretty full.

Cursillo in Halsey is coming up Oct. 15th thru 18th. Kelsey would like to send more people to that weekend event, as is a "worthwhile experience... one of those things that help bring leadership to the congregation... increase commitment to Jesus Christ and the church." He'd like to get 6 to 8 people to attend. Debbie Hogue will be the director this year.

In **Other Business**, Brad has spoken to Tim Anderson regarding the "lot" of land, and will further discuss the situation when Tim comes to visit. Greg Suhr has recruited someone to cut the weeds down on that property. There will be a Young Family BBQ next Sunday, 5 p.m., at St. Francis. Mentoring couples: Clark & Amy Wisniewski, Gina & Mike Shedd, and Kelsey & Debbie Hogue – lending to various levels of experience. Bob Manasek reminded the group about the upcoming leadership training next week at Harms Center, which he will be attending.

With no further business, the meeting was closed with prayer at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Sayre, Secretary to the Vestry