

ANNUAL MEETING - CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION

Minutes: January 26, 2008

Rev. Lawrence called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Michael Hickey, as the Senior Warden, chaired the meeting. He noted that as there were more than 50 parishioners present, and thus the required quorum was present and the meeting could continue.

Appointment of the Secretary: M. Hickey nominated Patrick Lancaster to act as Secretary for the meeting. There were no other nominations.

Motion to Approve Nomination for Secretary: The nomination of Patrick Lancaster was moved and seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Appointment of Tellers: The Tellers are charged with the responsibility of counting votes and validating the election of new Vestry Members and Delegates to Convention. Nominations were made to appoint Owen Reeves, Susan Prior and Sharon Chronin to serve as Tellers. There were no other nominations.

Motion to Approve the Appointment of Tellers: The nomination of Owen Reeves, Susan Prior and Sharon Chronin as to serve as Tellers was moved and seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

Election of New Vestry Members: M. Hickey introduced Doug Labrecht, as the Vestry Representative from St. Andrew's Mission, and thanked the outgoing Vestry Members, including Clay Miller, who was retiring from the Vestry. He then introduced the slate of candidates for Vestry that was approved by the current Vestry. They were: Liza Brickey, Linelle Lane, Gene Mendez, Mary Lynne Smith, and Peggy Zimmerman. M. Hickey noted that there were five (5) vacancies on the Vestry, four (4) with 3-year terms and one (1) with a 2-year term.

M. Hickey then opened nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor.

Motion to Approve the Slate of Candidates as Presented by the Vestry: Motion was moved and seconded and approved by unanimous acclamation. Note: since there were five (5) vacancies and five (5) candidates, it was determined that no written election was necessary.

Election of Delegates to Convention: M. Hickey announced that Church of the Incarnation was entitled to eight (8) lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention. The eight delegates from 2007 had all agreed to serve again, if elected. He then opened the meeting for nominations from the floor. Benjamin Deshazo-Couchot was nominated from the floor. Written ballots were distributed, collected, and given to the Tellers for counting and validation.

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Based on the validated results of the ballots, the following individuals were elected as Delegates to Convention for 2008: Benjamin Deshazo-Couchot, Rick Fitch, David Jasper, Clay Miller, John Nykamp, Mary Lynne Smith, Donna Wiuff, and Peggy Zimmerman. Leslie Zara Benjamin was elected as first alternate delegate.

Rector's Report: The Rev. Lawrence gave the Rector's Report, primarily reviewing the results of the Listening Process, which began with the retirement of Rev. Patricia Moore, and continued with meeting held through the month of November 2007. He also gave an overview of how he uses his time during the week, and a summary of the new staffing plan contained in the 2008 budget.

Associate Rector's Report: The Rev. Jamie Knutsen gave the Associate Rector's report. He expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve as the Interim Associate Rector and confirmed that he would not be a candidate for the new position of Associate Rector for New Ministries.

Treasurer's Report: The 2007 Financial Report was distributed, and John Nykamp gave a summary of that Report, as well as the approved 2008 Budget.

Celebration of 2007 Ministries: The following individuals were recognized for their contribution during 2007:

- **Jennifer Foster** was recognized for her tremendous work on the purchase of the lot on the corner of Mendocino Avenue and Cherry Street, and for chairing the Stewardship Committee.
- **Mitch Garcia** was recognized for his great energy and contribution to numerous projects, including Via Media.
- **John Nykamp** was recognized for his incredible contribution as Parish Treasurer.
- **Marjorie Whistler** was recognized for her great work as a volunteer in the Welcoming Center.
- **Lynn Castle** was recognized for her tremendous work with the Women's Guild and the Alter Guild.
- **Maggie Wager** was recognized for her dedication in assuming responsibility for the parish bookstore.
- Finally, all of the outgoing Vestry Members were recognized for their dedication and contributions. They are: **Leslie Benjamin, William Fritz, Michael Hickey, Clay Miller, and Maggie Wager.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Prepared January 31, 2008 by Patrick Lancaster, Clerk

