

**ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**608 JEFFERSON STREET**  
**TUPELO, MISSISSIPPI 38804**  
**MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2011 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**PRESENT:**

The Rev. Paul Stephens

Joellen Murphree

Cathy Fitzpatrick, Jr. Warden

Stephen King

Albert White, Treasurer

Mary Lou Parks, Ass't. Treasurer

Tommie Moore, Clerk

**ABSENT:** Wayne Averett, Sr. Warden, Kaye Cannon

The Rev. Paul Stephens opened the Vestry meeting with a prayer at 6:33 p.m.

**CHECK-IN**

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** None

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasurer, Albert White gave an overview of our financial status as of June 30, 2011. He stated that total cash on hand is \$431,675.00, with \$203,450.33 of that amount in the Capital Campaign account, which equals approximately 10 payments on our Capital Campaign loan. He reported that the final organ renovation payment will be \$21,227.40, which will be paid from the Allen Cooley bequest. Albert reported that we have received \$6,046.00 year-to-date in Non Pledge offerings, noting that we did not budget any amount in 2011 for Non Pledge Offerings. He stated that we have received \$4,043.00 year-to-date in Plate Offerings against a budget of \$2,500.02. He noted that no Pre-Paid Pledges were used in the month of June, leaving an available balance of \$31,205.00. We have collected 95% of our budgeted revenue and expenses were 95% of our budget in June.

Paul reported that he asked Kathryn McCormick, Canon for Administration, Diocese of Mississippi, to gather data from the Parochial reports of parishes in our diocese regarding number of baptized members, average Sunday attendance, number of pledging units/total amount pledged and average amount pledged. She was able to gather figures from 2009 and will update the spreadsheet for 2010, once all of the information is available.

**MOTION:** (Fitzpatrick/King)

Approve Treasurer's report as submitted.

**APPROVED.**

**CHRISTIAN GROWTH COMMISSION:** No report

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION:** No report

**CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION:** No report

**JR. WARDEN REPORT:**

Jr. Warden, Cathy Fitzpatrick, advised that she is working with Crump Sound and Video to resolve the problem of feedback in the Parish Hall sound system. Cathy also reported that she is organizing a lunch meeting in late July of former Wardens to gather input from them regarding our Capital Campaign debt and strategies in servicing/retiring the debt.

**SR. WARDEN REPORT:** No report

**RECTOR REPORT:**

**Habitat Blitz**

Paul updated the Executive Committee regarding Habitat Blitz that is now underway in Smithville. He stated that he hopes the house will be finished by July 23. He said that there has been a tremendous amount of All Saints' support, as well as, support from the wider community.

**Letter from Bishop Gray**

Paul advised that a letter from Bishop Gray had been received giving notice of "Sentence of Suspension Upon Voluntary Submission to Discipline", in accordance with Title IV, Canon 12.9 of the Canons of the Episcopal Church in the United States, upon The Rev. H. Thomas Slawson, III, Presbyter. This suspension is to remain in effect for fifteen months, effective from August 9, 2010 and concluding on October 31, 2011, during which time the Rev. H. Thomas Slawson is prohibited from exercising the office of Presbyter and the gifts of ordained ministry.

Paul noted that he will be on vacation July 17 (afternoon) – July 26.

**BUSINESS**

**Organ Renovation**

Paul reported that the organ renovation is progressing. The grill and new cloth has been reinstalled. Walker Technical Company will be installing the digital stops in the organ chamber possibly by the first week in August. He stated that the dedication of the renovated organ is scheduled for Sunday, September 18 at 4:00 p.m. with Dr. Stephen Schaeffer in recital. Paul also stated that once the organ renovation is finished, the church will need a thorough cleaning by a company that specializes in restorative cleaning. He suggested that ServiceMaster would have the expertise and equipment to clean the church after such a project.

**MOTION:** (Murphree/Fitzpatrick)

Approve hiring ServiceMaster to clean the church once the organ renovation is complete.

**APPROVED.**

**Curate**

Paul reported that the Diocese of Mississippi will have one seminarian graduate in 2012. He stated that the Diocesan minimum package provided to all married seminarians is approximately

\$78,000, with the Diocese of Mississippi providing \$5,000 of support toward this package the first calendar year, \$10,000 of support the second calendar year and \$5,000 of support the third calendar year. Paul advised that for the first calendar year (June – December, 2012), All Saints’ would need to allocate approximately \$38,000 toward the curate’s package. After a discussion regarding hiring a curate in the budget year 2012, the Executive Committee agreed to place this matter on the “Visioning Agenda” for the Vestry to discuss in August.

**CHECK-OUT**

With no further business the Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Submitted by Tommie Moore, Clerk of the Vestry

**ATTACHMENTS TO MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING:**

General Fund and Capital Campaign Financial Reports 06/30/11  
Spreadsheet of information re: parishes in Diocese of Mississippi