

**MINUTES OF THE VESTRY OF SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH**  
**June 15, 2005**

The regular monthly meeting of the Vestry of Saint Michael And All Angels Church was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2005. All members of the Vestry were present except Bob Wilbur and Arden Showalter. Also present was Tricia Barnett, Chair of the 2005 Stewardship Campaign, and parishioners Lowell Duncan, Mary Caldwell and David Martin, Assistant Treasurer.

**MINUTES**

A motion to approve the Minutes of the May meeting was adopted.

**STEWARDSHIP**

The Rector introduced Stewardship Chair Tricia Barnett, who reported on plans for the 2005 campaign, which has already begun and will be spread out over the next few months. Forms will be simplified, and the committee will look for all who are involved with the church to participate. The theme is "all that we are." Ms. Barnett reported that the church stewardship statement will be presented at the next meeting, and asked that each vestryman sign the letter to the parish, explaining what is important to each of us. Ms. Barnett requested that each vestryman take a list of parishioners who have pledged to the Church for 2005 and thank them for their 2005 gift. It is not necessary to reach a "live" donor, and an answering machine will be satisfactory.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Giffen Weinmann reported that we are "on budget" for May, and are actually \$390,000 better than the budget year-to-date. It was remembered that at the January 2005 meeting the Rector had recommended a re-evaluation of the budget in June 2005. The Senior Warden and Rector recommended that a special meeting of the Vestry be held on July 19, 2005, one day prior to the regular July meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of July.

**VICE RECTOR'S REPORT**

The Vice Rector submitted notes of the Strategic Planning Committee meetings on May 15, 19, 24 and urged the members of the vestry to carefully study these reports of various sub-committees.

**MISSION AND OUTREACH**

The quarterly grant recommendations of the Missions and Outreach programs of the Church were presented by Marilyn Augur. The Mission and Outreach grants proposed were for Genesis Cooks, Brotherhood of St. Andrews Dallas Assembly, Amistad Mission in Bolivia and North Dallas Shared Ministry. A motion to approve these quarterly grants was approved by the vestry. It was announced that additional grants approved by the Mission and Outreach Department this quarter included an emergency grant to St. Luke's Lutheran Church, support for Dr. Kevin and Rev.

Stephanie Wilson in Lithuania, and for former Pathways intern Bailey Norman, now serving in Guatemala.

### **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

The Chancellor requested that the 2005 Priest Housing Allowance be amended by the Vestry to provide for Anna Neitzel and a schedule be attached to the file copy of the minutes of this meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **MASTER PLAN FOR SMAA CAMPUS**

Neal Lacey was introduced and thanked for his long service in regard to the Master Plan of Saint Michaels. Mr. Lacey reported that the reason for the Master Plan is to keep up with the projected annual growth of the Church at 2% per year, that our space is cramped, and the traffic flow is difficult. Moreover, there is always the mandate to spread the word of Christ. He reviewed the report of Anne Mott, who made a 2000 study on space planning. It was noted that the average attendance of churches in the Dallas Diocese is about 40%, but Saint Michael attendance is quite a bit less. Perhaps some of this can be attributed to the fact that we are out of space.

There was a discussion of whether the growth assumptions are correct, and whether Saint Michael should grow beyond a certain number? What is that number?

Two vestrymen suggested we should defer a vote at this time, that a committee get together and review the statistics and the questions raised, that vestrymen walk around and look at the facilities, and also examine the core values and the "spiritual master plan of the Church."

The meeting was adjourned with a tour.

Respectfully submitted

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Robert Hyer Thomas, Clerk