

St. Martin's-in-the-Fields
Vestry Minutes
June 21, 2005

- Freddy Vang introduced the David Smith of Homewrappers, Inc., the contractor working on the roof. He briefly reviewed some of the problems getting the work done well promptly. He offered his intentions to correct problems in workmanship and to promptly repair any damages. He very explicitly spoke to his intentions to have his work crews on site daily making progress. He also indicated that he will be on site daily to check on progress and daily clean-up.
- Michael Bullock called the meeting to order reading a *New York Times* editorial written by Sen. Danforth, "Onward Moderate Christians" and a prayer.
- Present: Father Michael Bullock, Warren Darby, Chuck Meehan, Libby Nicholson, Paul Palmer, Neil Rashley, Jeanne Saylor, Tom Stepp, Freddy Vang, Betsy Biega (Lay Associate), English Morris, Minister of Music. Absent: Ann Braithwaite, Steve Johnson, Bosie McElveen, and Garfield Stuart.
- The vestry accepted the Minutes for the May 17, 2005 meeting.
- English Morris, Minister of Music, presented an update on the music program.
 - Bulgaria Trip – English and the participating choir members found this to be a very exciting trip. English found the experience to be a great continuing education experience, learning about leadership for musicians, performing an organ recital, and participating in an instrumental conducting workshop. The choir members that participated in this experience were able to improve their skills through their performances and their workshop participation.
 - RSCM Choir (Royal School of Church Music) – Pam Hair has revived this music program for youth during the past year. In the fall they began with three participants, and they now have nine participants. They rehearse each week and all members are learning to lead Compline as a part of their program. This choir for the youth of St. Martin's and St. Michaels has participated in 13 events during this past year under the very energetic leadership of Pam Hair with very little financial support for her very significant time commitment. In addition to their performances at St. Martin's and St. Michael's they participated in Choir Camp at Gravatt and sang at the Charleston Spoleto Festival in May. She will also conduct a music day camp for very young children later this month to cultivate children's interest in choir.
 - In 2006 the choir will participate in the Columbia City Mozart Festival. This will include our participation in performances at the Koger Center and travel to Vienna and Salzburg.
 - *The Death of the Bishop of Brindisi*, by Menotti – We will present this opera at St. Martin's during lent in 2006. We are currently working on the

planning the details for this production and anticipate many visitors for this production.

- Associates Report: Betsy Biega informed us that ceiling fans have been installed in meeting rooms and offices throughout the parish office. She is working on establishing a system of communication among other area churches in the interest of security and safety. She is having her counterparts from other area churches meet at St. Martin's in August with the Forest Acres Police to discuss safety and security issues.
- Rector's Report: Father Michael Bullock presented eleven items:
 - A day in the life of a priest- Michael spoke about the pastoral duties responding to two births and a death on the same day.
 - July 18, 2005 Program Staff Planning Day – The rector and staff will meet at the McCrory's farm for the day to plan for major events during the coming year.
 - Staff Evaluation- Michael will be conducting staff evaluations this summer.
 - Mutual Ministry Evaluation – Michael will be meeting soon with Scott Gribbon about developing this process.
 - 2PF – Search –The search committee has met three times and has started to receive inquiries.
 - Third Priest, Chuck Pettit – He is a M.D. and former member of St. Martin's who is returning to live in the Columbia area. He will be working full time at Richland Memorial Hospital and Michael wants to hire him as a part-time priest. Michael believes that Chuck would be a tremendous addition to the staff of St. Martin's as a mature seasoned priest. We will try to workout the details soon.
 - Sabbatical Preparation – Michael is planning a sabbatical for May 2006.
 - Canvas Preparation/Annual Meeting – We will set aside Sunday 11/13/2005 for our Annual Meeting and canvas event.
 - *Corridor of Shame*: We will present this documentary at our Parish supper on 08/17/2005 and expect that it will stir interests and passions to further our connections and support of Crayton Middle School across the street.
 - Summer Reading and Fall Focusing meeting – Michael will send the vestry some resources for summer reading in anticipation of a September meeting addressing issues with our continuing parish vision.
 - Michael's Vacation time: 07/01/2005 to 07/09/2005, 08/01/2005 to 08/08/2005.
- Junior Warden's report: Freddy Vang brought it to our attention that our primary parish data base software ACS, will be requiring Windows XP for software support later this year. Many of our PC's will need to be replaced as the hardware is not suitable for an upgrade to Windows XP.

- Warden's Report: Neil Rashley discussed our need for a further planning meeting in September to follow through of our vision such as, program boards, goals and objectives, and our nominating process.
- Treasurer's Report: Warren Darby made reference to the St. Martin's May 2005 financial documents distributed earlier in the month. The documents included a summary memo, Cash Flow Analysis and Budget Recap, and Balance Sheet. Analysis of our actual and projected cash flow points to a projected net income for the year of \$ 23,494 as the result of several timing issues. The 2PF Fund drive has been completed, and we have the pledges to provide an annual salary package of \$61,808. John Crowe left St. Martin's about \$11,000; Steve Johnson is making a determination of whether these funds should go to the church or to the foundation.
- Upon a motion and a second, we resolved to adjourn.
- We adjourned with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Palmer, Vestry Clerk