

GRACE CHURCH VESTRY MEETING

February 25, 1974

Attending: Fr. Hewitt, Robert Jones, Jerry Teske, Rebekah Taft, Lorne Hinkle, Helen McCullough, Roland Paulson, Verne Collier, Robert Gotchey, Alfred Martin, Lee Trovas and Tom Vandezande.

Fr. Hewitt opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:40 P. M.

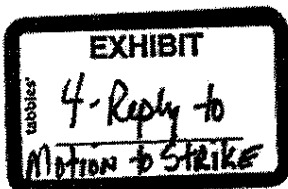
Minutes of the Vestry meeting of January 21, 1974, were approved following motion by Taft/Teske.

Treasurer's Report was given jointly by Messrs. Trovas and Gotchey. The Income-and-Expense statement of 1-31-74 was reviewed. In addition our C. P. A. firm's 10-page report on the year-end examination of our books and records was newly received, and Vestry discussed it at some length. The report concluded that our "statements present fairly the assets and liabilities of Grace Church as of December 31, 1973, resulting from its recorded cash transactions for the year." The Treasurer's Report was accepted per Vandezande/Teske motion.

Investments Advisory Committee. Mr. Charles Hemmingsen presented his written report, aided by Mr. Jones and Mr. Trovas. Vestry was asked to, and did, pass the following three motions:

- (1) The Treasurer, acting with the advice of the Investments Advisory Committee, is authorized to invest the \$84,000 of U. S. Treasury securities (maturing May 16, 1974, in the Huff and Allen accounts) in U. S. Treasury obligations or in corporate bonds rated AAA by Moody's Investors' Service. Jones/Paulson motion.
- (2) Investments Advisory Committee is requested by the Vestry to initiate discussions aimed at developing a restricted trust, under Vestry management, whose purpose shall be that of Episcopal outreach within Colorado, with the stipulation that income from such trust cannot be used to pay for the maintenance or operation of Grace Church. Hinkle/Collier motion.
- (3) Vestry, through the Memorials Committee, will annually present to parishioners a memorial list at an appropriate time, such as All Saints' Day. A suitable plaque should recognize the gift of the second octave of bells for the Bell Choir from funds given by the Madge Huff estate several years ago. Taft/Teske motion.

Committee Report accepted, as moved by Teske/Collier.



Vestry Committee Assignments. The Senior Warden presented the Vestry assignments for 1974, and all present accepted them. The Rector noted that Chairmen may appoint additional members to their Committees as they desire.

Parish Council. Miss Taft reported on the February 20th meeting:

- (1) Numerous fund-raising ideas were advanced in support of the organ renovation, among them: card sales, pledge cards and a donation bowl at Taylor Concerts, and lottery tickets. After noting the Council's efforts and ideas with appreciation, Vestry approved a Hinkle/Teske motion against lotteries.
- (2) In response to some critical comments about the recent production of "Suddenly Last Summer" by the Star-Ear Players, it was pointed out that Mr. Les Baird had in fact deleted and changed certain lines in the interest of good taste for a production in our church.

Question was raised by Vestry members whether all Parish Council members are uniformly reporting back to their constituent groups regarding Council meetings and actions, as well as bringing ideas forward from their groups. Heads of all groups represented in the Council should be made aware of their representatives' responsibilities as two-way communication channels. Council report accepted after motion by Collier/Teske.

By-Laws. The required second reading of proposed changes in Parish By-laws as of March 15, 1973 was conducted by Miss Taft. Several changes are in the nature of up-dating, editorial corrections, etc. Principal change of substance is in Chapter IX, Sec. 2, whereby the bond of the Parish Treasurer and all employees handling moneys shall be in an amount of \$100,000. The prior bond was for \$25,000. The proposed changes passed, after Taft/Vandezande motion.

Camp Committee. Mr. Vandezande presented three resolutions of the Committee for Vestry action:

- (1) There will be a limited number of weekend-type sessions in coming months at the Camp under Grace Church sponsorship, instead of longer one - or two-week sessions.
- (2) With the present caretaker leaving March 19-20, Camp Committee authorized Mr. Gotchey to proceed in finding a suitable replacement. In this connection the job contract will be reviewed for desired changes and/or additions, especially in the area of maintenance responsibilities of the caretaker.
- (3) The Committee now considers that we will not provide food or a cook to any outside group renting the Camp. This policy is a change from last year's practice.

Two Camp sub-committees have been appointed -- (1) Physical Plant, headed by Capt. Rudolf Bulmann and (2) Publicity and Long-Range Planning, headed by Col. James Fitzgerald. Mrs. McCullough will chair the Committee's next meeting on March 17th, due to Mr. Vandezande's being away. Motion by Paulson/Jones to ratify the Committee's resolutions above and to accept the Committee's report. Passed.

Trovas/Taft Motion: Camp Committee chairman or designated alternate shall participate with Mr. Gotchey in handling matters of reservations, maintenance and general operation of the Camp. Carried.

Mr. Trovas voiced concern, supported by Mr. Jones, over the continuing need for improved and enlarged communications within the parish. To inform all members about the various Guilds, and other groups, their functions, current activities, etc., is an example of what is desired. The work is of a reporting nature, and the question of responsibility for it must be faced and resolved, said Mr. Trovas.

Mr. Teske, for the Music Committee, announced that Folk Masses would not be held during Lent, pursuant to a Diocesan staff suggestion. On April 9th at 8:00 P. M., St. John's Passion, an oratorio by Bach, will be performed in Grace Church. Mr. Teske expressed the Music Committee's thanks to the Parish Council, the Star Bar Players and all others whose efforts have been given thus far on behalf of the organ renovation fund.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 P. M.

Respectfully submitted:

Roland M. Paulson, Clerk