

# CEMP LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2019  
ST. STEPHENS – 6:30PM

**Attending:** Bishop Doug Sparks, Pastor Pamela Thiede  
St. Augustine: Sadie Pollard, Ben Tyler, Paula DeBois  
St. Barnabas: Melvin Evans, Pauline Millard – Evans, Barbara Meneakis  
St. Christopher: Bob Schrum, Mary Harrison  
St. Paul's: Pam Hart, Ellen Candelaria, Greg Croyle  
Jessica Rieger CEMP Treasurer, Paul & Pat Kincaid  
St. Stephen: Fritz & Kay Ruchti, Josie Mattix  
St. Timothy: Ken Goodwin, Tom Zaczekiewicz, Rindalee Skimina

**Opening Prayer:** Bishop Doug started the meeting at 6:30 PM with a prayer

## Faith Community Check- In:

### St. Stephens:

Furnace and Boiler Repairs  
Bird excrement

### St. Timothy:

Furnace Problems, Bldg. and grounds issues  
Offering Methodist Parish, a place to worship

### St. Christopher

Had New Guest  
Trees and Grounds Challenges

### St. Paul:

September 22, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at 9AM & concert at 4PM

### St. Augustine:

Picnic Lake Etta Plan to do again  
Spaghetti Dinner and Movie September 21<sup>st</sup>, 4PM

### St. Barnabas:

Grow Faith Thru Study  
Low Attendance

## June Minutes Correction:

- Email for CEMP treasurer is [CEMPTreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:CEMPTreasurer@gmail.com)
- After corrections - minutes were approved motioned by Barb Meneakis and seconded by Ben Tyler Motion. Carried.

**Financial Report:** Presented by Greg Croyle and Jessica Rieger – Co Treasurers for June, July and August of 2019. Motion to accept was made by Ellen Candelaria seconded by Josie Mattix . The motion carried. The Bishop mentioned that all of our faith communities need to do audits every three years alternating between internal audits and external by a CPA, one faith community has used a CPA out of South Bend - Armstrong and Riest of South Bend.

**Stewardship:** The diocese has offered all parishes to use The TENS program at no cost

**Old Business:**

- **Royal Tea** brought in a profit of \$ 3300.00 dollars there is discussion of doing a repeat with possible smaller teas at each parish leading up to the main event to help promote it.
- **St. Augustine Annual Picnic** had approximately 100 in attendance all had a wonderful time. No one left hungry. It is held the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in August each year.
- **Dearly Beloved conversations** – The Bishop again has asked that we ask our vestries if they would like to continue with further discussions on this topic.

**New Business:**

- **Offering Envelopes** deadline to order is September 19<sup>th</sup>. Jessica asked all parishes to let her know if they wanted envelopes and statements so she can make the order.
- **Clergy Update** - Pastor Kris will be having knee surgery the end of October and will therefore be out of the rotation for at least 6 weeks.
- **Welcome Network - Marie Gambetta** - This network is looking to support and welcome International Persons with Help of the Episcopal Migration Organization and is asking permission and support to ask a speaker to our next meeting, Pam Hart made the motion and Ellen Candelaria seconded the motion. Carried.
- **Advent and Christmas Worship Schedule –**
  - **Advent Lessons and Carols** (will ask Ben)
  - **Sunday December 22, 2019** - All six faith communities will have normal services
  - **Christmas Eve Tuesday December 24, 2019**
    - **6:30PM St Augustine and St. Stephen**
    - **7PM St Timothy**
    - **8:30PM St Paul**
    - **9:00PM St. Christopher**
  - **Christmas Day**
    - **11AM St. Barnabas** followed by small coffee hour
- **Transition and Search** - Decision has been made to present two candidates to the leadership Council and Vestries and those others interested on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Augustine with a Pot Luck Chili.
- **Fifth Sunday:** Has been changed to St. Paul at 10 AM, and one of the two candidates will be asked to preach at this service all are encourage to attend
- **CEMP NUTS?** - The question was asked if nuts would be sold this year the general mood was that maybe this year we need to focus on other things.

Bishop Doug closed the meeting at 8 PM with prayer and sent us all on our way.

**Next meeting is set for November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 pm to be held at St. Christopher.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Kincaid

Oct 6, 2019

