

Good Samaritan Episcopal Church

1801 10th Avenue

Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Bishop's Committee Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2018

Meeting called to order at 10:45am.

Present: Rich Marshall, Les Hata, Deb Nishihira, Lori Chun, Jan Motoshige, Myrtle Kaneshiro, and Connie Kaneshiro.

Absent: Melissa Morinishi and Chris Omuro.

Deb opened the meeting with a prayer.

Quorum established.

Minutes from November 18, 2018 were reviewed and accepted by the committee.

Treasurer's Report

Church Operating Checking Account balance reflected an increase of \$3,124 from \$123,837 to 126,961. The year-to-date change is a decrease of \$5,650.

Income was about \$3,420 higher than budgeted for the month. Highlights are below.

- Regular offerings were about \$1,670 higher than budgeted.
- Special Income was about \$1,750 higher than budgeted, due to:
 - Rent about \$1,000 higher than budgeted,
 - Fundraisers about \$940 higher than budgeted,
 - Investments about \$250 higher than budgeted,
 - Offset a little by "Other" income about \$400 less than budgeted (this is not a regular monthly item)

Expenses were about \$150 more than the budgeted amount. Highlights are:

- Personnel costs were about \$520 lower than budgeted, due to Payroll
- Maintenance, repair and utilities costs were about \$740 higher than budgeted due mainly to Building and Grounds Maintenance costs.

Decisions/Announcements/Reminders:

Stewardship letter and pledge forms were mailed out and also emailed with the Hikari newsletter. It's also available for download from the church website.

Remaining services for the year:

December 23, 2018 - Rev. Alex Geston

December 25, 2018 (Christmas Day) - Malcolm Hee
December 30, 2018 - Rev. Alex Geston
Deb has already started scheduling for the new year.

New sign up sheets for refreshments and flowers will be posted at the back of church.

Wreath-making in the parish hall was a success with neighbors Michelle Gorham and Missy leading the workshop. Michelle would like to do more workshops in the parish hall.

Kadomatsu making will be on Friday, December 28, 2018. Meet at the church at 7:30am
Bamboo cutting in forest at 8am. Assembly of kadomatsu at 10am in parish hall. Pickup of orders starting at 12pm.

- Submit permit forms to DNLR for approval as soon as possible. Neighbor Missy can take the forms in for us since she works at DLNR.

Update from Myrtle on the possibility of a Farmer's Market at the church – She checked with Calvin Say and he said there is one at the park on Wednesdays so she didn't continue looking into it. We may possibly look at doing a smaller one in the future.

(repeat) Bishop's annual visit to Good Samaritan will be on July 21, 2019.

Decision to schedule the Annual Meeting on January 27, 2019 with a potluck to follow.
- Lori Chun and Jan Motoshige's terms are up. Looking to ask other church members to be nominated for the committee.

Connie, Roxane and Deb will work on the draft budget for 2019.

Next Bishop's Committee meeting is Sunday, January 20, 2018 after refreshments.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.
Deb closed the meeting with a prayer.