

Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Northwest Deanery, Diocese of the Rio Grande

Location: St. Michael and All Angels Church - Albuquerque, New Mexico

Date: 7 November 2015, 10:00 am

- Fr. Robert Mundy called the meeting to order.
- Fr. Joe Britton (rector, St. Michael and All Angels) welcomed all delegates
- An opening prayer was offered by Fr. Robert Mundy.
- Roll was called. A quorum was verified.
- The agenda for the current meeting was approved.
- The minutes from the previous meeting (25 July 2015 at Cathedral of St. John) were approved.
- Treasurer's Report – Lois Phillips
 - Current balance of \$5,457.50
 - \$5,000 was received from the Diocese of the Rio Grande in 2015
 - Expenditures of \$1,740.30 (Included \$1,512.50 for NW Deanery share of Camp Stoney costs for 2015 camping season.)
- Report from Poverty and Outreach Board – Stephanie Padilla
 - Seven applications for grants were received from the NW Deanery this year. That is down significantly from past years.
 - The NW Deanery Board ranked the grant proposals in order
 1. Epiphany, Socorro – Puerto Seguro Inc.
 2. (tie) St. Matthews, Los Lunas – Angel Tree
 - (tie) St. Michael's, Abq – Casa San Miguel
 4. St. Mary's, Abq – Food Pantry
 5. St. Francis, Rio Rancho – Clare's Closet
 6. St. Martin's Hospitality Center, Abq – Sundays at St. Martin's
 7. St John's, Farmington – Four Corners Home
 - The ranking was approved by the deanery and will presented to the Poverty and Outreach Board.
- Election of 2016-2018 Northwest Deanery Board members
 - Sue Ellen Rael - St. Michael and All Angels, Albuquerque (lay person going off the board), Rev. Lynn Perkins - Holy Spirit, Gallup (Clergy going off the board), Lisa May – St. Chad's, Albuquerque, and Rev. Linda Wilson – Epiphany, Socorro made the nominations.
 - Fr. Dan Tuton – Hope in the Desert, Albuquerque was elected by acclamation to the open clergy position.

- John Coe – St. Michael and All Angels, Albuquerque and Erik Pederson – Holy Spirit, Gallup were nominated for the open lay position. John Coe was elected.
- Outgoing Board Members Rev. Lynn Perkins and Sue Ellen Rael were thanked for their service.
- Tentative dates and locations were for the 2016 Deanery Meetings were discussed.
 - Saturday, 30 April – St. Francis Church, Rio Rancho
 - Saturday, 23 July – St. Philip’s Church, Belen
 - Saturday, 5 November – St. Thomas of Canterbury, Albuquerque
 - Dates are subject to change
- Information from the Deanery
 - St. Francis, Rio Rancho, will welcome Fr. Alex Lenzo as their new rector on Sunday, 29 November
 - St. Francis, Rio Rancho, will host the annual service honoring Rev. Ted Howden at 12:00 noon on Friday, 11 December
 - St. Mark’s, Albuquerque, will dedicate their 38kw solar array on Sunday, 8 November
 - Snow Slam for all youth of the diocese will be held 15-17 January 2016 in Ruidoso
 - Church of the Epiphany will celebrate their 125th anniversary during the month of April 2016
- Holy Eucharist was celebrated in the Nave
- Lunch was served in the Parish Hall.
- The newly installed rectors in the NW Deanery were welcomed and made presentations
 - Fr. Joe Britton – St. Michael and All Angels, Albuquerque
 - Talked about his study of Abraham J. Heschel
 - “To be spiritual is to be amazed.” Heschel
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 - Incarnation
 - Glorifying the Stranger
 - Full Participation
 - Connection
 - Change
- The next Northwest Deanery meeting will be Saturday, 30 April 2016 at St. Francis Church in Rio Rancho.
- Meeting adjourned at 1:50 by Fr. Robert Mundy