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In attendance: Fr. Kresowaty, Steve Altman, Tim Cox, Carolyn Dobbs, Judy Marsee, Kathy Jones, Nasser Gittiban, John Banks, Chris Troutt, Kristin Hadawi, John Doshier, Nick Garefalos, Diane Hartley, Jim Rhea

Absent: Fr. Matkin

Fr. Kresowaty called meeting to order with prayer at 7:03

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for September and October were submitted and approved via e-mail.

Treasurer's Report – John Banks/Nick Garefalos

- Pledge and Plate receipts for October totaled \$46,925.34, which is \$7,189.66 less than the budgeted amount of \$54,115.00.
- As of October, 2005, St. Alban's is operating at (\$3,613) for the month versus the budgeted amount of (\$3,568). The year to date total is (\$3,979) with the budgeted amount being \$(23,300).
- The annual audit will be presented by PSK at the December 2005 Vestry meeting

Rector's Report – Fr. Kresowaty

- Thanked Search Committee and parishioners for their support of Fr. Kresowaty and his family
- Sowing Seeds was very helpful getting his house ready for sale
- Looking for parishioners to be active at St. Alban's
- Encouraged open communication throughout the parish

Events – Fr. Matkin

- November 23, Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist – 7pm
- November 27, Lessons and Carols – 5:30
- November 27, Stewardship Celebration Dinner – Parish Hall, 7pm
- December 7, Family Night
- December 10, Santa at the Bookstore
- December 17, Advent Project Pick-up
- December 18, Children's Pageant during the 10:30 liturgy
- December 24, Christmas Eve Liturgies
- December 31, Father Kresowaty's Birthday

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Worship Committee – Tim Cox

- The Worship Committee met last week and decided 5:00, 8:00, and 10:30 p.m. would be the times for Christmas Eve mass to be held
- 10:00 a.m. mass on Christmas Day

Christian Education – Diane Hartley and Kristin Hadawi

- 1.) Sunday School Attendance is the same as Oct. No more, no less than last month. Attendance has dropped in 4th - 5th grades since September. Some teachers are mailing reminders and making phone calls to say 'we miss you'.
- 2.) PreK-5th grades are studying the Ten Commandments this month.
- 3.) Youth attendance in Sr. High is better than last year where 4 to 8 students come regularly. (There were 10 at Bible Study on Wed. last week, by the way.)
- 4.) Walt Cabe's and Fr. Matkin's classes are well attended. Peggy's class has sporadic attendance and attracts the 'late comers' and parents of children and youth. Walt's class will continue into 2006. Fr. Matkin's study of Revelation will conclude in December. Peggy's class on Christian Living, Growing in Transformation will continue in 2006.
- 5.) The Committee for ministry to Youth and Children meets the 1st Monday of each month. This month Fr. Kresowaty attended, though regular attendance was way down. We are looking at adding some new faces to this group and asking 4 regular attendees to remain.
- 6.) We had 56 people for dinner on the First Wednesday Nov. Parish Night. Over 30 children and youth participated in the youth programs, and 20 participated in the adult program. Mary Beth may repeat the 'Faith Formation' presentation when a larger audience of parents of young children and youth are present.

Youth Ministry

- Youth Committee met Monday (no report available)

Outreach – Diane Hartley and Kristin Hadawi

Deacon Claire reported that the Outreach Committee has requested that parishioners bring non-perishable food items and donations for the Christmas Project. Decorated food boxes will be distributed to families designated by the Arlington Goodfellows. The committee meets on the first three Saturday mornings in December from 9:00 – 12:00 to decorate boxes, sort foods, and distribute items.

Also, donated coats and jackets will be distributed to local charities and Title I schools in the next few weeks.

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Pastoral Care – Diane Hartley and Kristin Hadawi

- Stephen Ministry submitted a report including membership numbers and activities

Newcomers Report

- The Newcomers Group has greeted 10 visitors since September. This number does not include their families.
- The St. Alban's Lunch Bunch continues to be active and most new members take advantage of the opportunity to meet other parishioners and more of the clergy in such an informal setting.

SAES Report

- A one-time exception will be made to the School By-laws which requires 3 nominees for each seat available on the Board
- 4 nominees for 2 seats will be presented to the school board on November 17, 2005
- 248 is current enrollment
- Reception was held last weekend to thank the Founding Families contributors to SAES

Stewardship Committee – Kathy Jones/Kristin Hadawi

2006 Pledge Update thru the 5th week (11-7 to 11-11) of the Fall Pledge Program:

# of pledges received for 2006	150	(includes 12 new pledges)
Total amount of pledges received	\$422,803.00	
Average Pledge	\$2,818.69	

Junior Warden's Report – Tim Cox

- The Parish Hall and Kitchen floors have been stripped and rewaxed and looks very good

Communications Committee – Carolyn Dobbs/John Doshier

- Pictures from Fr. Kresowaty's first visit to SAES should be posted on the website soon

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Chancellor's Report – Chris Troutt

- Forms for tax exempt status have been submitted
- Waiting to hear from the TAD concerning Canterbury staff living at the Canterbury House
- Steve Altman moved that we develop a rental agreement with Brian Pickard, representing the diocesan Canterbury program, on a month-to-month basis as good will to help develop Canterbury as part of St. Alban's outreach. Diane Hartley seconded. 10 yes votes and 2 no votes. Motion passed.

Development Committee Report – Judy Marsee/Nasser Gittiban/John Banks

- The committee is pursuing the option to sell the properties on 4th Street and is checking to see what the monetary benefits would be
- The Marsee Memorial Garden project has been divided into 3 phases with a rendering being on display in the Narthex

Nominations and Personnel – Diane Hartley/Carolyn Dobbs

- 4 candidates have been submitted for SAES School Board elections
- Looking for candidates for 2006 Vestry elections
- Looking for candidates for 2006 delegates

Secretaries Report – Fr. Matkin

- Average Sunday attendance for October: 296
- Transfers in: 0
- Baptisms: 3
- Marriages: 0
- Transfers out: 2
- Births: 0
- Deaths: 0

Old Business

None

New Business

1. Diocesan Assessment

- While the diocesan assessment "set aside" for ECUSA has been decided, a voiced protest of the process was delivered by John Doshier.

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2. Draft 2006 Budget

- Still waiting to receive draft

3. Diocesan Convention

- Begins November 17, 2005
- Delegates:

Joe Lundy
Rilla Altman
Sara Beal (cannot attend)
Keith Allen
Pete Haagen
Steve Hawrylak (transferred to St. Peter and St. Paul)

- Alternates:

Ben Doerge
Jacalyn Ducharme (moved to San Antonio)
Pricilla Promise (cannot attend)
Ester Stolley

- Clergy:

Fr. Kresowaty
Fr. Matkin

4. Treasurer resigning

Nick Garefalos, the Vestry Treasurer is resigning at the end of the year. Anyone who is interested in the position may contact John Banks for more information.

5. Preparation for assessment in January

6. Preparation for Parish Meeting

January 29, 2005

7. Endorsement of Vestry for Jon Jenkins

8. Sunday is Deacon Claire's last Sunday

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9. Housing Resolutions

Whereas, section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code permits ministers of the gospel to exclude from gross income (in computing federal income taxes) a church designated housing allowance paid to them as part of their compensation to the extent used for actual expenses in owning or renting a home; and

Whereas, The Rev. E.F. Kresowaty is compensated by St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Arlington, TX, exclusively for services as a minister of the gospel; and

Whereas, the St. Alban's Episcopal Church, in Arlington, Texas, does not provide Fr. Kresowaty with a parsonage; therefore, it is hereby

Resolved, that the total compensation paid to Fr. Kresowaty for calendar year 2005 shall be \$12,500, of which \$6,666 is hereby designated as a housing allowance pursuant to section 107 of the Internal Revenue code.

Tim Cox moved to accept the resolution and John Banks seconded. All approved.

January 14, Fr. Kresowaty installed as rector at 10:00 am.

Fr. Kresowaty closed with prayer at 10:30.

Respectfully submitted by,

Marguerite (Lisa) M. Glasgow
Vestry Clerk