

## BCC Agenda December 19, 2024

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BCC check in: (10 minutes)  
Core Values: (3 minutes)

Children:

Outreach:

Hospitality to All:

Approval of Minutes: 11-21-2024 (1 minute)

Vicar Report: Fr T (8 minutes)

Deacon Report: NJB (8 minutes)

Outreach, Safety

Bishop's Warden Report: SM (8 minutes)

Property Warden's Report: JN (8 minutes)

Treasurer Report: JS (8 Minutes)

FSV Report: JS or SM (5 minutes)

Nonprofit Report(s): (5 minutes)

BBCR: MDM

BV: Fr T, JN

Scout Report: MDM (5 minutes)

Old Business: (10 minutes)

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Prayers and adjournment:

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NJB in at 6:17pm

Call to Order: 6:07pm MT

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**MOTION: GSC SECOND: SM VOTE: APPROVAL UNANIMOUS**

Vicar Report: Fr T (8 minutes) no report

Fr T on vacation from December 29 to January 4.

Deacon Report: NJB (8 minutes) no report

Outreach and Safety

Bishop's Warden Report: SM (8 minutes)

**Parent Support Group:** The parent support group is ebbing and flowing sometimes well, sometimes slow, but always looking forward to meeting and talking about stuff. In the next year SM will be reaching out again to Life Stories and Child Family to put together a presentation that they have from darkness to light. It is on checking for the signs for sexualization and and making sure that adults in positions of a trust are trustworthy. It also covers not putting yourself in place for the appearance of impropriety as well as training on what signs there are on social media? It's a 2 h event and they fund it. And when you have so many people they they even bring a boot. I think it's a great spearhead for encouraging the parent support group, and along with what's going on at Brigit's Village, where we had a couple of people reach out to our Vicar with interest in that.

Property Warden's Report: JN (8 minutes)

We have had a few pieces of equipment getting service, and I'm not aware of any other issues.

Progress is being made on the a building across the field from us.

Treasurer Report: JS (8 Minutes)

**Plate Giving:** JS discussed the plate numbers. He mentioned early in the year that it seemed really bumpy, and it is definitely lumpy now that we've got 11 out of 12 months. JS confirmed a suspicion that he brought up earlier this year, which is, that when the pledge giving increased, which was great, some of that was transferred over from plate.

Right now, StB received a total of just over \$9,000 from the plate this year (for 11 months the budget would put it at almost \$14,000). That is at about 67% of the plan plate that has been collected now. A couple of months January and May are above \$2,000 and I think it's possible that December is also a bigger month.

JS thinks that the plate decline and then a couple of other areas like the extra bit of funding we approved for the grounds will put StB at a 5 to \$10,000 deficit for the year as a whole. It is definitely something that we'll want to be mindful of as we're looking at the budget for next year.

JS's plan is to send out more year to date numbers with more detail and everyone can review those in an email at another time.

Fr T: One thing, when it comes to pledges, typically the church will see that in many households will try to pick up at the end of the year as best they can. Of course not everybody can make it all up, but I would imagine StB will see more of that kind of swell as we hit right towards the end of the year.

**FSV- FFC Pledge Total.** StB has 10 new families this year! There are still 11 outstanding families but the FFC is up to a total of just over a hundred \$140,000. There are a couple of outstanding donors that JS believes will be on the above average end so StB may reach the target of \$165000. FrT asked JS if he was including the \$10,000 pledge that we always get at the end of the year.

Even if StB makes the 165K target he will be conservative with the plate numbers in the budget and have extra money sitting around that we can do stuff with rather than be over budget. JS wants to look at a more conservative investment for that for next year. Luckily, a lot of costs aren't changing dramatically.

JS asked 'Do we know, did we lose families this year?' Fr T responded that he thinks that we've lost 4 to 6 families and discussion followed about 'How do we know when they have left StB?'

**Stock Donations to StB:** JN asked about donating stock to StB instead of cash. Discussion about how to donate stocks to St Brigit. The final answer is that you have to donate to The Colorado Episcopal Foundation and then they, immediately upon receipt of the of the stocks, sell it because it's the church policy to not hold on to securities. They then give the cash to the church.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

JS and MDM come up with wording for donation of stock and post it on website and in bulletin.

FSV Report: JS or SM (5 minutes) report done with treasurer's report

Nonprofit Report(s): (5 minutes)

**BBCR:** MDM

Brigit's Bounty is paying back the \$6,900 loan we got last year from StB. The BCC had decided they didn't have to pay it back but the BBCR board decided that to pay it back.

**BV:** Fr T, JN no report

Scout Report: GSC (5 minutes)

**Nathan:** Nathan came to the understanding that replacing all the playground equipment is extremely expensive, so he is looking at a smaller project. He is looking at landscaping and such that's still working on it.

**Kat:** She doesn't have a strict deadline so she is still working on her project with the sign.

MDM: there is another scout that's getting involved. He asked Brigit's Bounty about redoing the fire pit.

MDM sent GSC an email to get everyone on the same page. The Scout team in GSC, Tracy Platz, Jerry VanSambeek, George Andrews.

Old Business: (10 minutes)

**BBCR payment for Utilities:** Non-potable water, Xfinity Mobile, United Power

Bill has been sent to BBCR, payment should be coming soon.

**BCC Retreat date:** Saturday, February 1st 10am-3pm?

Fr T: BCC did not have a retreat last year, so we are planning early. The date that we have on the calendar is Saturday, February 1st from about 10 to 3. How does that look for you all? That is a time that both Jeff and Michelle will be here in town. Everyone is good with that date.

**StB Annual Meeting date:** Sunday, January 26 at noon (after church)?

Fr T: Moving on with the BCC Retreat date, nope sorry. Moving on with the annual meeting date. Sunday, January 26th after the service will be our annual meeting here at the church. We'll have reports from the bishops, warden, treasurer, property, warden, deacon, and vicar, also additional ministry reports throughout the congregation.

Oh! And the nonprofits.

**BBCR Annual Meeting date:** Saturday, January 25

New Business: (10 minutes)

**Ceili:** Saturday, February 1st? 6pm-10pm?

Fr T: Ceili has been an idea that has been proposed. Our feast day for our patron Saint Brigit is Saturday, February 1st. It's a great event to have around the feast day. We've got other things going on that weekend as well so if we did do the Ceili, at the same time it would be a big weekend for the BCC. AP: I'm going to announce I would like to do my debut fiddle performance at the Ceili. BCC all in favor of having a Ceili on February 1st.

Discussion followed about opening it up to the community. The MHC or who plans Ceili can determine if it will be open to the surrounding community.

**Proposed 2025 budget:** Tabled until next meeting 1-16-2025

**ACTION ITEMS:**

JS send out 2024 year in review and 2025 budget info

**Facility Use Contract Renewals:** yearly?

MDM: In the past anyone who uses the facility re-signs a contract every year. I don't know that we need to do that. I think if we have a contract on file with them, it doesn't say it's only for only one year. I just want to know what the BCC thinks about how long the contracts should be good for.

JN: I think it should be indefinite unless there's an expiration date on it.

GSC: Is there any legal ramifications for not having a date on the contract?

Discussion followed about making sure StB is not setting themselves up for problems with allowing indefinite contracts. BCC decided that having all ongoing users of the facility must resign the contract each year.

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Prayers: Go in Peace! LET'S EAT!!!!

Adjournment:

**MOTION: AM SECOND: DS VOTE: APPROVAL UNANIMOUS**

### ACTION ITEMS:

1. GSC will update the BCC picture frame in the entry hall - GSC will get a picture of the frame & measurements and work with Tracy on getting the the BCC frame picture frame updated.
2. SM: Reset Raise Right password and send to MDM
3. JS and BCC: come up with a plan for savings
4. ALL: Create BCC/Vestry responsibilities document
5. ALL: Do Vestry training - AM, SM, JN AND GSC are done!!!
6. ALL: Let JN, SM, Fr T know what you think of the sign----->>
7. SM: send MDM list of all the support groups with day/time/info blurb
8. JS figure out what spending on website is paying for
9. JS get 2025 budget done and send 2024 results so we can evaluate
10. GSC take the lead with Nathan and other scouts that want to do projects with StB and BCCR. Try to get George Andrews involved.



For informational purposes: Vestry Training Link

<https://episcopalcolorado.org/congregational-resources/safe-church/>

### TABLED ITEMS(S):

- A. BCC - Find someone to update Emergency Preparedness Doc
- B. JN: put together an email that outlines swamp cooler, humidifier, other church and house maintenance
- C. SM - BCC roles
- D. Review Facility Use Request, Policy, and Contract
- E. Add titles to YouTube Sunday videos - maybe match the church calendar?
- F. Trees vs Poinsettias: decorating during Christmas
- G. Starting A'it Caol again
- H. Plan for talking about the ministries
  1. Figure out how many ministries we have divided by 4, and on a quarterly basis go through and talk about them. We've got lots of new people and they don't have a clue about how to get involved.
  2. Some of this will be done via Realm.
  3. We also need to make the ministries more visible in church, even if they're going to be on realm. It's good that we remind the people at the church.
  4. Why don't we do a put it on the door going into the Sanctuary. Ministry of the week: If you're interested in this idea contact ministry lead. The next week we do the next one and once we get through everybody, we put it up again. It's just I forget things when they're not putting my face sometimes (GSC).
- I. Ideas for reaching out to neighbors:
  - Spaghetti Dinner
  - Pancake breakfast
  - Outdoor Ceili
  - Jon and Carrie Peterson want to help us do a community event or something for police or fire dept.
  - Outdoor Service
  - Halloween Event
  - Chili Cook Off
- J. New Logo that reflects our new identity?----->>
- K. BCC Chat Doc and Chat Cards:
  - Chat Doc: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11QX1PBRnvwnoJsg3xuHuhe8dml6i-XVmQOoWzNql9q8/edit?usp=sharing>
  - Chat Cards: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/11GECD\\_2vgxO167JrN9YooFTE-fJJmbiHwHh4z2QaMTo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11GECD_2vgxO167JrN9YooFTE-fJJmbiHwHh4z2QaMTo/edit?usp=sharing)



### St. B historian

St. Brigit timeline stops at 2019, we need someone to do updates and keep up timeline going forward.

### NOTES FOR TREASURER (that can NEVER leave):

- JS: do a valuation of assets and set up depreciation:
- JS: after asset valuation let insurance company know to see if it will decrease rate
- JS: do financial audit
- JS pay attention to CD and when it will mature (around July 29)
- JS: Look into high interest savings account for a different option than the CD