Minutes of San Fulgencio Church Committee meeting - 24/09/2021

Attendees:

Terry Baxter (TB), Andrew Briant (AB), Jim Crossley (JC), Richard Dunstan-Meadows - Chair (RDM), Penny Estlin (PE), David Foster (DF), Sue Foster - Sec (SF), Gill Gray (GG), Roger Harrison (RH), Bruce Petter (BP), Ginny Smith (GS), Peter Smith (PS)

Absent: Marguerite Jackson (MJ), Peter Jackson (PJ)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Notes</u>	Action	<u>Date</u>
1	RDM opened the meeting with prayer		
2	Previous Minutes Accepted unanimously without revision. Prop JC Sec PE.		
3	Matters Arising		
	RDM pointed out that the Committee had not discussed the robing of Assistant Lay Readers.		
4	Adoption of the Constitution		
	RDM advised that Bishop Carlos was very happy with the Constitution submitted to him with only one minor change in the correction of a date and asked if the Committee could accept it. DF raised concerns on the wording of two sections: a) The last paragraph of Section 10 which refers to the first Committee Meeting after the Annual Meeting and asked if this could be clarified. It was agreed that the wording be revised to, 'At the following Church Committee Meeting any proposal made at the AGM will be viewed by the Church Committee whose decision will be final and binding.' b) Section 14 which would apply in the event of a dissolution of the San Fulgencio Anglican Church. It was agreed that the wording of this be revised to, 'In the event of a dissolution being ordered by two thirds or more of its members present at a general church meeting, one or more liquidators as named by the General Church Meeting. The assets, if any, devolve on the Spanish Episcopal Church or its successor.' These changes were agreed and accepted unanimously. Prop: BP Sec: AB		

5 <u>Diocesan Synod Delegates</u>

RDM advised that the Synod has been postponed until 27th-29th May 2022

Delegates from each Parish comprised an ordained minister and a lay person from the Committee.

AB had been nominated as the lay delegate and was happy to accept the nomination. The appointment of AB as Lay Delegate was put to the Committee. Prop: RH Sec: JC

Accepted unanimously.

GG offered to be a 'reserve' candidate should AB not be available.

The appointment of GG as reserve Lay Delegate was put to the Committee.

Prop: PE Sec: SF. Accepted unanimously.

RDM noted that appointments made by the Committee were on an annual basis and reviewed at the Annual Meeting. However, we have not yet decided a date for the Annual Meeting.

AB advised that his information was that accommodation and most meals were usually provided during Synod so costs to the Parish would not be excessive.

6 Worship on Wednesday (WoW)

RDM introduced the proposal that the WoW service should remain exclusively on Zoom (except on Ash Wednesday).

JC asked for clarification as to who had made this proposal and why. RDM advised that it was his suggestion and intended to remove any question or doubt as to the service venue and to reach a wider congregation.

JC questioned the rationale as we have spent considerable sums on equipment to facilitate Zoom services from church.

GG pointed out that Sunday services would still be held in church and 'broadcast' on Zoom from there.

DF said we were still trialling the equipment to get the best results and that, at present, he was the only person able to set it up and he was not able to guarantee to be able do this on two days every week. Once we understood how to set up the equipment in the best way, others could be instructed how to do it. A decision to hold WoW services on Zoom only need not be in perpetuity and could be reviewed by the Committee. AB's opinion was that the WoW service works perfectly well on Zoom without technical issues.

BP, PS & GS agreed.

AB proposed the motion that WoW services be held on Zoom only until the end of 2021 when the decision would be reviewed by Committee.

Prop: BP Sec: GS. Carried unanimously.

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7	Fifth Sunday Services RDM proposed that, when there are 5 Sundays in a month, the service on the last Sunday should be on Zoom only. This would allow TB to continue to lead and officiate in our church. GS supported the proposal with the view that the same considerations apply, regarding the technical issues, as for the WoW service and it would allow TB to lead and officiate. TB was very appreciative of the initiative and would accept it gratefully unless it caused any conflict in the church. DF suggested that, as there are only 5 instances of 5th Sundays in the next 12 months, a realistic review period would be 12 months unless the Committee decided to review it earlier. Proposal: That 5th Sunday services should be on Zoom only for the next 12 months unless the Committee decided to review it earlier. Prop: RH. Sec: GG. Carried unanimously		
8	Services RDM reviewed the current list of forthcoming services, in particular Remembrance Sunday for which time is constrained by our attendance in the square for the Act of Remembrance at 11:00am. A discussion ensued into variants of the service to reduce its length. AB pointed out that, in the past, our services had begun at 10:00am which allowed it to be slightly truncated. It was agreed that RDM would reduce the length of the service by shortening various aspects such as the address, hymns and readings and that the service would begin at 10:00am. GS asked if the Act of Remembrance could be filmed or broadcast from the square either live or posted on Facebook later. DF advised that this was certainly possible, even to maintain the Zoom		
	broadcast. GG offered to do this on her mobile phone. Christmas Carol Services RDM asked AB about dates and times AB advised that he had not yet looked at dates but would do so asap. This would require co-ordination of available resources such as organist, choir and with Don Ramon for the Catholic participation. Christmas Eve RDM suggested 9:00pm. This was agreed. Christmas Day RDM suggested Zoom only at 10:15am. This was agreed. The following day is a Sunday so service will be in church and the one after that,	GG AB	14/11 asap
	Epiphany Sunday. <u>Feast of San Fulgencio 14th January</u> RDM has set this as our service of dedication to celebrate our church.		

9	AOB BP asked about our payment of our contribution to the Diocese and whether our accounts had been approved. AB advised that initial review had been that they looked OK but we were still waiting for the formal acceptance. BP was concerned about charitable giving. JC replied that the amount payable to the Diocese would be less than 1,000€ so should not be a concern. RDM said that Finances and where money is going to be spent, including Charitable Giving will be added to the agenda for the next Committee Meeting.	
10	The meeting closed with The Grace.	