

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2013

Present: Fr. Fister, Chris Larmour, Joe Arena, Deacon Zig Zigler, Becky Perez, Jim Akers, Tim Langfels, Anthony Koch, Deacon Ron Sparks, Wendy Koch

Also in attendance: Johnna Malone and Stan Galbraith

Joe Arena called the meeting to order at 7:25 and Fr. Fister led us in prayer. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Motion by Jim Akers and seconded by Tim Langfels.

- Finance Committee
 - Church
 - ~\$29,000 in checking, ~\$16,200 in savings, ~\$20,000 in One in Faith account
 - \$9,548 in scholarship money received
 - Assessment of \$29,500 paid at a lower rate than first expected thanks to Diocese policy change
 - Budget is in decent shape at this point in the year
 - Switch to Time Warner Cable to save ~\$2,000 per year
 - School
 - ~\$154,000 in checking account
 - PTS has ~\$9,000 in account (\$5,000 of which is seed money)
 - A 5 year interest free loan of \$20,000 was taken out July 1st and is being repaid at \$333/month
- Principal's Report
 - Downtown cleanup recently by SMS students
 - MAP testing took place in mid-October
 - Rosary is being said every Monday in October
 - Students are visiting Bourbon Heights every month
 - Operation Christmas Child – stuffing shoeboxes with items donated, packing day with students, costs \$7 per child
 - A celebration of saints is planned for November
 - Middle school will be participating in a school and church cleanup
 - Mrs. Warner resigned. The new teacher is Marlene Langfels who is teaching science to the middle school. Fr. Fister is teaching religion two days per week.

- Liturgy Committee
 - There is a systematic review of everything being done at masses and appropriate changes are being implemented
- Religious Formation
 - Deacon Zig continues to work on the Catholics Returning Home series.
 - Banners will be placed on the edges of the property
 - 6 sessions
 - 1) meet and greet with questionnaire
 - 2) film documenting reasons why people left the church
 - 3, 4, 5) reconciliation, Vatican II, Walk through Mass
 - 6) where to go from here
- Maintenance
 - Chiller was not broken, all is well. On a side note, don't flip a switch in the basement of the church if you don't know what it is!
- PTS
 - November vendor fair, Thirty One sales with Angela Bell
 - Planning on a float in the Christmas Parade
- Old Business
 - Website – Chris is working on this. He is migrating the Church website to the same platform as the school. It will save money for both groups.
 - School
 - 2nd presentation to Diocesan Cmte. Model has been approved
 - Presentation to parish has been postponed to work out financial answers to be correct and precise
 - Development of 3 documents underway
 - 1) Jim's text explaining the entire process
 - 2) Anthony has sought professional help to design an introductory brochure outlining the work ahead
 - 3) Jill Koch is preparing an annual report that will detail performance of students, etc.
 - So far everything is still on the original schedule
 - Directory - Photo shoots are wrapping up. Wound up with 170 families photographed. Design of directory is being undertaken by Anthony Koch.
 - Long Range Planning
 - A questionnaire will be developed to survey the Parish
 - Cmte of Fr. Fister, Jim Akers, Dcn. Zig, Joe Arena and Chris Larmour

- Pastor's Report
 - Fr. Fister discussed again the importance of the Speaker Series, support of the Samaritan Ministry, Dcn. Zig's Catholics Coming Home series, and work on Liturgical renewal.
- Prayer and dismissed
- The next meetings of the Pastoral Council will be November 20th, December 18th, and January 15th at 7:00 p.m.
- Respectfully submitted, Anthony H. Koch, Pastoral Council Secretary