

St. Edith Finance Council

Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2022

7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Fr. Jim McNulty, Greg Laskowsky, Tom Debolski, John Brady, Tom O'Meara, Judy O'Meara

Absent/Excused: Rick Nork, Maureen Szczyпка

1. The meeting began at 7:05 P.M. with prayer led by Tom O'Meara.
2. It was moved by Greg Laskowsky and seconded by Tom Debolski to approve the November 16, 2021 Meeting Minutes.
3. Report from Parish Council.
John Brady reported the following:
 - a. The spaghetti dinners and pizza nights will continue.
 - b. Compliments to the Art and Environment and Music Teams for making Christmas so special at St. Edith.
 - c. The attendance at the Christmas Masses was better than in 2020, but the Masses were not crowded.
 - d. The St. Edith Knights of Columbus provided 100 coats to Christ the King Parish.
 - e. MOPS continues to grow.
 - f. It was difficult to get volunteers to work on the Christmas Outreach.
 - g. Overall, St. Edith continues to remain an active parish.
4. QR Code.
John Brady introduced the idea of publishing a QR code in the St. Edith Bulletin. This would be another alternative for parishioners to make contributions to the church. Fr. Jim will address this matter with Karen Roosen and the bulletin editors.
5. C.S.A. Report.
Tom O'Meara reported that as of 1/12/22 St. Edith has a \$26,261.53 shortfall.
6. Financial Review – (6) months ending 12/31/2021
 - a. Tom O'Meara reported that the school profit is \$16,690 (net of favorable timing differences of \$100,389). The church profit is \$83,740 (net of favorable timing differences of \$10,247).
 - b. The Christmas collection to date is \$200,723.
 - c. Through the efforts of Jackie Slaviero, the school secretary, St. Edith School has secured a grant from the State of Michigan to update furniture and teaching equipment.

7. Tuition Increase for FYE 6/30/23.

Tom O'Meara distributed an excel file with various tuition increase options for the next school year. Upon reviewing the numbers and after discussion, the Finance Council unanimously recommended a 4% increase in tuition for the 2022/2023 school year.

8. Capital Projects.

There are no new projects at this time.

9. Cares Act.

There is nothing new to report.

10. General Discussion.

Greg Laskowsky mentioned that it would be beneficial to have DTE conduct an energy analysis for the electrical closet. Greg will consult with Bob Calleja, Director of Maintenance, regarding this matter.

11. Fr. Jim's Comments.

Fr. Jim expressed his desire to hire a social worker who would be accessible to various members of the parish. Fr. Jim also stated that he would like the position of youth minister to remain in the budget.

12. Closing Prayer.

The meeting ended with prayer at 8:05 P.M. **The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Judy O'Meara