

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

September 10, 2024

5:15pm Picnic - 7pm Meeting – Fireside Room

MINUTES

- I. OPENING PRAYER – Denise
- II. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES - Approved
- III. CHAIRMAN’S COMMENTS
 - a. Council Secretary Position – the Chairman informed the council that with Megan Szczypka’s departure from the Council, there is a need for a new Secretary. It will need to be one of the At-Large members. The Chairman asked for those to consider this position. If no member steps forward, it will have to be rotated throughout the At-Large members. The Chairman will be responsible for the minutes for tonight’s meeting.
 - b. Welcome New Members – Sherry Szymanski and Jim Wyzlic were welcomed to the PC.
 - c. Short Introduction from each Member – Each member, including those from the Finance Council who were present at the meeting, introduced themselves including a brief “tidbit” about themselves.
 - d. Finance Council Report – Tom O’Meara presented the Results of Operations for the Parish for the year ending June 30, 2024. See attached for details.
 - i. Tom prepares and reports the results on a monthly basis to the Finance Council for their review and comments.
 - ii. There were approximately \$44,000 at the School and \$152,000 at the Church of Non-Recurring expenses during the past fiscal year that were a major factor in the large loss for the year.
 - iii. The Fiscal 2024-2025 budget includes \$75,000 for Non-Recurring unknown expenses that may arise.
 - iv. The Fiscal 2024-2025 budget for the school had 173 students. We are actually at 180, so we should have a favorable budget variance for student tuition.
 - v. The Preschool had 51 students last year, and we have 47 this year.
- IV. FR. JIM’S COMMENTS
 - a. Fr. Jim reminded each commission representative that in our Goals & Objectives, with volunteers being the backbone of the parish, we are to promote something different from the commissions each month. The commission representatives need to take this back to their respective commissions and get this process started so we can begin this in October.

- b. The School's big fundraiser is the Auction. Fr. Jim would like the PC and commissions to brainstorm and come up with ideas on how we can increase the attendance and response from our non-school parishioners. This will be added as an agenda item for October.
- c. The School is off to a good start and nothing else to report.
- d. Fr. Jim reminded all to wear their name tag badges to all parish activities including Mass.
 - i. NOTE – Subsequent to the meeting, the Chairman has requested from Deb Strautz that she create a badge for Sherry and Jim as new members of the PC.
- e. Fr. Jim requested all PC members to be introduced at an upcoming Mass so the other parishioners would get to know them. The PC members will be at the Mass they usually attend and do not need to come to all the Masses. The PC members will introduce themselves and give a brief snippet about themselves. It was agreed that this would occur at the Masses on the weekend of October 19 and October 20.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. CHRISTIAN SERVICE – No Report
- B. EDUCATION – No Report
- C. FINANCE – See details under Chairman's Comments
- D. SENIORS –
 - a. Joe asked about automatic door openers for the bathrooms in the church. This was originally looked at by the Knights and Ushers, but it is very costly and nothing has been done.
- E. WORSHIP – No Report
- F. EVANGELIZATION / WELCOMING (Written) – No Report
- G. SOCIAL WORKER – No Report

VI. OLD BUSINESS – None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Elisabeth requested that the commissions send out their minutes timely so that the Parish Council members have ample time to review them before the PC Meeting. The PC meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Fr. Jim requested that the minutes be sent at least one week prior to the PC meeting. Commission representatives, please take this back to your commission.

VIII. October 8, 2024 MEETING

- a. OPENING PRAYER - Steve
- b. CLOSING PRAYER - Elisabeth

IX. CLOSING PRAYER – Jill