

Parish Council Minutes March 27, 2017 (**Revised 4/25/17**)

Meeting opened at 7 p.m. by Sue Ford in Meeting Room C. Jacob led the opening prayer.

John Puentes, Lance Carroll & Brian Seals reported on the Praise Band Jam scheduled July 16, 2017. It is sponsored by 5 area churches and it is our turn to chair. They presented an introductory letter that will be published in the bulletin at a later date which will let people know what it is all about and asking for help. They have the park booked, the sound system taken care of, and are working on advertising. The city wants liability insurance/Lance will take care of that. There will be food available/Brian will take care of that. There will be a free will offering to cover costs and extra donations will go to the Food Pantry. Lance and our Youth Band will be one of the performers.

The January minutes were approved as presented.

Current Items of interest: Fr. Pakula

- Will commission 85 Communion Ministers; 12 are new.
- The Easter Quilt brought in \$1765.00; the funds go to St. Teresa of Kolkata, TN, Building Fund
- More work on the lights in the church; ambo and statue have new lights; over altar lights are not LED, but 600 hours length is better than 110 hours; there are some LED lights in the chapel.
- The Food Pantry hopes to break ground in early April.
- Larry Honzel will have surgery in April.
- Mike Sigwalt will be ordained May 20, 2017.
- Just a comment about changing times. The Teen Participation Mass is down this year, less teens participating.

Fr. Mike and Nicole gave the Finance Committee Report

- Not much to report. Had a question about moving some bequest money to a loan fund; decided to leave it where it is.
- Still working on ordinary income.
- The Diocese is reviewing the contract with the Tuition Management Program, FACTS.
- ADA information. The 2016 total raised was \$76,652; the goal was \$79,292, the shortfall to come from reserved funds. The 2017 goal is \$74,845.
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The Council then watched the ADA video which will be shown to parishioners in Room A this weekend.

Updates:

House in Haiti. Total right now is \$3,704, with a goal of \$6000. The ccd/oasis taco supper made 96.; the St. Patrick's Day quilt made 615.; the Altar & Rosary/Parents Club Breakfast made 2,692 (includes a \$1,000. donation); Confirmation Students Coffee made \$301. No other projects scheduled.

Annual Report – Presented by Chuck Snyder.

- Mike Ricketts set up the parish website and the annual report is on it.
- Chuck, Nicole, Sue & Fr. worked on condensing it down.
- Look at it and let Chuck know if changes are needed.

Selection Committee consists of Cynthia Wells, Jon McAvoy, Donna Echaute, and Kevin Koenig. They started this weekend with a presentation after all the masses. There are nomination forms out for people to nominate themselves or others. The 3 going off are Jacob, Chuck **Snyder** and Cynthia. They

have to May 1 to submit the forms, May 7 will be the orientation meeting, selection will be done by June 11, and new members will come on board at the July meeting.

Spiritual Vibrancy – energizing work of Christ through our joyful service to others in prayer and action. It's our pursuit of knowledge and appreciation for our Catholic faith to the point of contagious enthusiasm which radiates within our parish and beyond. This is a compilation of liaisons' submissions of Spiritual Vibrancy definition; is this a satisfactory definition for the Council as a whole? YES.

Standing Committee Reports

First, heard from Jacob and Jon from the Adult Faith Formation. Most groups were at their meeting. Talked about adult programs, reorganizing the library, Women at the Well (April 27) can always use help; Gift shop, not a lot of volume, could there be some vendor owned inventory? Ask, can we do this? Just Faith. They all talked about project piece needs, is there a different way to break things down to doable segments, so get active involvement from different people in smaller subsets? Liturgy really needs help and Leigh made the suggestion that it be in small subsets so the project/liturgy is not so burdensome. Start small with adult Faith formation groups; Jon will start with Marilyn and Joe.

Youth Formation: Brian has not met with his group yet.

Prayerful Service Groups– Ryan and Matthew reported. Wellness Committee/Parish Nurse have started a Catholic Yoga group, will start a Balance Class, have an automated defibrillator. Our sister parish will be building and needs bricks. Kayleen Fulcher has donated a deep fryer to the parish. Talked about other things included Winterfest and decided to TABLE to the next meeting.

Administration and Planning – Chuck L. & Cynthia. Talked with Dc. O'Rourke and met with the staff. Did have some concerns: Facebook page – one more tool, who maintains it? House in Haiti – asked all groups to do something to help, they didn't realize that. Mission Statement – too wordy, maybe use a logo. Spiritual Vibrancy – have to look at ourselves first.

Faith Formation Full-time position preliminary discussion. Nicole reported that the Finance Committee said “no”; the money is not there. Maybe on some future agenda.

Mission Statement – tabled

Items from Council – Chuck reported that there was conflict on use of the hall at Acolyte Dinner, but it was all worked out. All parties should be aware of others using the facilities.

Next meeting: Monday, April 24

Liturgist – Brian

Closing prayer – Sue

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Audrey Honzel, recording secretary

These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting.