

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes

November 6, 2013

Council Members: Joe Kaufman, Theresa Wessels, Marcia Ney, Bill Neumayer, Denise Hamrlich, Johanne Schmidt, Fr. Brad Neely, Joyce Majure, Sarah Schumaker, Fr. Evarist Shiyo

Guests: Kevin Poole

Opening prayer: *Marcia Ney prayed the opening prayer.*

- **Approval of Minutes**

Joyce moved the council approve the minutes of the October 9, 2013 meeting with revisions previously submitted by email. Marcia seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

- **Building Project Update: Kevin Poole**

Kevin has updated the Dropbox account with current pictures. In the kitchen the floor is in, wall board is up, and the walk in refrigerator & freezer are in. The floor is being tiled in the main restrooms. They are anticipating the parking lot being paved next Tuesday - Thursday. Once the paving is done we will begin to see some outside landscaping taking shape. Kevin consulted with council about the choir risers. They are ready to get contracts signed for the pew company. Father Brad informed the council about a significant price difference between the two companies. One of the companies bid is for veneer pews with silent kneelers, the other companies bid is for all wood pews with standard kneelers. The decision has been made to go with all wood pews. The bid is right at budget. An upgrade to silent kneelers will cost an additional \$21,000.00. Father Brad wants the council to consider this upgrade. Installing an electronic reader board has been decided against at this time. This will result in a savings of about \$9,000.00.

- **Art & Statuary Committee -Joyce Majure:**

The committee has had 2 meetings. Ken Griesemer was here for the first meeting. He and Fr. Brad were in complete agreement on placement of the credence tables. They have picked a design for the end of the pews. Not sure how they are going to do it; seems problematic. The committee is very pleased with the carpet and color choices, they all like what has been done. They choose a warm brown vinyl for the kneelers. They have discussed altars and options and are getting some dimensions to work with in going forward. Ideally stone would be included in the altar and the altar of repose. The thought of the committee is to have as much of the work as possible done locally. Also want to have one designer for all items even if we don't purchase every item at one time. Items from St. Stanislaus to be moved and used at All Saints are the sanctuary light, tabernacle & the presider's chairs. The committee is suggesting using the St. James Stations of the Cross. The spaces for displaying the stations are 30"x30". The stations are 15 inches and could be placed on a canvas to fill up the space. Some big requirements are going to be the altar increments. Joyce voiced some concerns with staying in budget and meeting those needs. The council discussed establishing a comprehensive list with samples when possible of items donations can be made to purchase. The committee would like some very durable moveable wooden tables for selling SCRIP etc. A moveable wooden kiosk for information distribution, pamphlets etc. has also been identified to meet the need of communicating with parishioners.

The cross and corpus for the sanctuary are being focused on at this time. Father Brad has a benefactor that will donate the cost of a fiber glass corpus. Fr. Brad wants a corpus that is looking up rather than one with his head hanging down.

Decisions of where and how the statues we have are to be used will need to be addressed.

In regards to the baptistery since it will be a full submersion baptistery, it will require some removable steps. Those will need to be custom made.

There will be many memorable gift opportunities for parishioners.

Regarding Ken Griesemer's existing contract; there is about \$10,000.00-\$11,000.00 remaining. A considerable number of years have passed between the original contract and now and Ken has the option of charging us at the



current rate for his services but has offered to stay with the original rate. A new contract outlining the specific scope of his work will be required. Ken was pleased with the short list of issues to be resolved.

In summary, the committee has lots and lots to do.

Continuation Committee: Kevin Poole

Kevin began by explaining this committee originally had 11 members and is now down to 3. They have generated a report of inactive pledges that were either not paid or minimum payment was made. He believes some of this amount can be recaptured. Some pledges have passed away, but there have also been some memorials. We are approximately at a 15% write off on original pledges. There is about \$1,000,000.00 left to collect in pledges. He would like to sit down with Fr. Brad and Sarah and look at the inactive pledges. The first step is to send out letters from the pastor.

- **Parish Administrator-Sarah Schumaker:**

Sarah distributed materials with three pieces of information; a preliminary All Saints Bazaar report, a financial report on the building project, and a year to date budget report.

The preliminary numbers on the bazaar look very strong. A final report will be published in the near future.

The building project report shows the soft costs broke out.

Year to date budget shows expenses are tracking very close to budget.

- **Pastor Report: Father Brad Neely**

Fr. Brad has composed the letters, sent them out via email for comments and critique. They will be mailed in the near future.

Fr. Brad asked if Fr. Evarist had some thoughts. Fr Evarist suggested this Christmas time writing a pastoral letter asking for a monetary donation for baby Jesus, and asked for comments on his suggestion. Fr. Brad commented he had a similar thought and jokingly stated he wished he would have said something. Fr. Shiyo wonders how to retain those who come to Mass for Christmas and Easter. They still come, so retaining them while they are here in important.

An advent giving project and several ideas surrounding that were discussed.

- **School Report-Denise Hammrich**

This year's ACTION Auction was very successful. Profits will exceed \$86,000. The ASCS 6th grade team took 2nd place in the Knowledge Bow. A Veteran's day program will be in the All Saints gym at 2:00 pm on 11/11/2013.

The Salvation Army is again this year allowing the school to hold their annual Christmas tree sales in their parking lot on 21st Street. Tree sales begin November 29th, the day after Thanksgiving. The Advent concert is at 7 pm in the auditorium at Lewiston High School on December 6, 2013.

- **Schedule Next Meeting**

The council will set a meeting for the next week or two to plan for the Advent site tour and program. This will be more of a program event and reasonable efforts will be made to have displays, costs and samples for memorable gift opportunities. Kevin will check with Kenaston on parking lot lighting. After that is set the council will set a meeting date. They will forgo a regular December meeting in order to focus on this program and tour.

- **Closing Prayer:**

The council closed the meeting by praying together.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Estes