

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes

June 12, 2013

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Council Members: Johanne Schmidt, Ken Jacks, Sarah Schumaker, Theresa Wessels, Marcia Ney, Fr. Brad Neely, Bill Steiner, Bill Neumayer, Joyce Majure, Joe Kaufman

Absent: Denise Hammrich, Robert Blume, Fr. Evarist Shiyo

Finance Committee: Kathy Snyder, Mitch Marx, Matt Johnston, Eric Peterson, Kevin Poole, Merilynn Scharnhorst

Opening prayer: *Bill Steiner led a group prayer.*

**1. Approval of Minutes:**

Joyce moved the council approve the minutes of the May 8, 2013 meeting. Bill Steiner seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as revised.

**2. Proposed Budget: Sarah Schumaker & Kevin Poole**

Sarah distributed the proposed 2013-2014 fiscal year budget. She explained the two documents as a one page quick look, and a more detailed broke out look at the proposed budget.

Specific cost cutting measures and reductions will be necessary to meet the coming year's financial demands. The trend of declining offertories was pointed out. Sarah will publish a budget summary in the bulletin in August. Ken asked to have explanations of changes explained when the budget is published. Diocesan loan repayment schedule and obligations were outlined and discussed. Sarah asked if there were suggestions for budget cuts or changes. Marcia stressed the importance of transparency. The marked decrease in giving is making it critical to increase parishioner giving. Promoting use of on line giving is being encouraged. Bill Neumayer & Marcia commented on the need to generate and maintain excitement in what we are doing.

The group discussed a parish fundraiser and many issues surfaced. How and when fundraisers are going to happen, be structured, identified and configured were discussed at length. The need for fundraisers is critical. The imbalances of revenues vs. efforts were pointed out. We are at the point of decision about what we want to do for All Saints unified. The changes in revenue over recent years were explained in detail.

Ken motioned the council approve the proposed budget. Marcia seconded the motion. The council approved the budget as written for the fiscal year 2013-2014.

**3. Parish Administrator-Sarah Schumaker:**

By August she will have the final 2012-2013 fiscal budget summary. Sarah will give a budget presentation over the course of two weekends at each of the six All Saints Masses and publish it in the bulletin.

Sarah will gather information from several offertory fundraising companies to be discussed at next month's meeting.

Sarah was pleased to report the school has secured Karin Seubert as the chair person for the Phase II construction (All Saints Catholic School) effort. They will be holding their first meeting on June 24, 2013 in the parish center at St. Stanislaus. They are asking for a pastoral council member to be on the committee.

Compiling a parish wide email list was identified as an important tool we are currently lacking. Eric Peterson offered and was authorized to immediately begin working on this project.

**4. Pastor Report: Father Brad Neely**

The exterior of the rectory needs to be painted. Fr. Brad plans to do a majority of the work. He would welcome volunteer help.

It was suggested to Fr. Brad that he begin tweeting. He didn't see where he had an extra hour in his day for additional duties. The process and concept of tweeting was explained as very brief one way communications. He was open to investigating the process necessary to get started.

**5. Construction Project Update: Kevin Poole**

Kevin reported color selections being narrowed down. Selecting the stucco color is time affects the timing for ordering the flashings, windows, and roofing tile because they all tie together. Kevin, Fr. Brad & Sarah were on the construction site yesterday, 6-11-13. Fr. Brad commented, when you are at the construction site you can grasp the

size of the structure. All the flat concrete in the social hall/administrative offices & classrooms has been poured. There have been no cost overruns to this point. Dividers for the classrooms are going to be added. He and Fr. Brad are working on compiling a list of possible donation items. Ministry Storage is really being looked at and may or may not be in the construction phase.

#### **6. School Report-Denise Hammrich**

No Report

#### **7. Construction Site Tour:**

The council would like to offer parishioners the opportunity to tour the construction site and see the progress to date.

Fr. Brad suggested the last week of June. Tuesday, June 25, 2013 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. was decided on for a "Site Tour Social". Tents with building project information, giving opportunities, & site plans will be on display. Timeline & scheduling questions will be addressed. Sarah will compile a building costs update. Refreshments will also be offered. Various council & committee members were identified to coordinate specific areas. Parishioner will be asked to bring their own chairs.

#### **8. Other Business:**

##### **a) Capital Campaign: Merilynn Scharnhorst**

Merilynn, capital campaign assistant, reported delinquency numbers saw a decrease last month. There are few families each month who are paying of their pledges. Outreach strategies to parishioners who have participated were discussed.

##### **b) July council meeting**

Agenda items for a shortened meeting in July were outlined as:

- Development of Annual Parish Fundraisers Committee. Council members were asked to identify potential committee members.
- Ideas for fundraising.
- Recap of Site Tour Social.

#### **9. Schedule Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the council will be held on July 10, 2013 at the All Saints, St. Stanislaus in the Parish Center Fireside Room beginning at 5:30 pm.

#### **10. Closing Prayer:**

The council and finance committee closed the meeting by praying together as a group.

*Respectfully submitted by,*

*Gail Estes*