

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 28, 2020

7:15 pm – Saint Philomena Room

I Prayer – Stewardship Prayer

II Roll Call -

Erin Ludwig (Chair) ☒___

Chris Schafer (Vice Chair) ☒___

Lesley Elias (Recorder) ☒___

Charlie Gross ☒___

Ed Schafer ☒___

Teri Zitzelsberger ☒___

Kurt Schafer ☒___

Paul Smith ☒___

Andrea Wood ☒___

Amanda Gross ☒___

Elton Clark ☒___

Finance Council (Terry Reihl) ☒___

Stewardship Liaison (Kathleen Schafer) ☒___

Worship Liaison (Father Tom) ☒___

Ex Officio Father Tom Held (Pastor) ☒___

Christian Service Commission (Andrea Wood) ☒___

Faith Formation Liaison (Sandy Boge) ☒___

School Commission Liaison (Mary Hauck) ☒___

III Minutes from July meeting were not presented

IV Correspondence – None

V Self-Study – None

VI Council/Commission Reports:

Finance Council – Terry Reihl

- We are down \$25,000 at this time – mostly due to costs for textbooks and increase of insurance premiums
- End of church year was July, we are showing \$134,000+ ahead, but \$113,000 of that is from the PPP loan. At this time \$99,000 of that loan has not been used. Per Cindy in the office, we believe any loan under \$150,000 will be forgiven. They will start using those funds.
- CSA will be starting in October. The name has changed to “Christ Mission Appeal”. Our goal is down by \$2800 for the year with our total goal of \$46,100. Terry will be working on talking points to address the parish in November.
- Finance proposed an additional benefit plan. Amanda Gross made motion to approve, Lesley Elias second motion, approved unanimously by Pastoral Council.
- The drain project was questioned, Terry advised that they have not received any assessments yet. The project is currently over budget by about \$1,000,000 and additional funding is needed.

The project is to be done by end of 2021. Funds for this project will be taken out of capital improvement fund.

- Mortar fixes around the parish are being looked at by Rob Moore. Per Father Tom, he has reached out for estimate.

Christian Service Commission – Andrea Wood

- Andrea presented a photo of the proposed Grotto. At this time, they are getting estimates from Brian Straus & Rob Moore for the stone. Pricing the cost of real stone. If real stone is needed, there will need to be reinforcements to the floor due to the weight. Money for this has come from donations and per Father Tom the donation is specific to this project. They feel they may have enough to cover the cost.
- Hospitality is currently on hold due to COVID-19.
- The selling of merchandise from the cabinet in the gathering area is going well. The cabinet has been paid for as well as the initial cost for the merchandise. Currently ahead by about \$1,000.
- They have 3 new members – Andrea Wood, Deb Latham & Deb Straus
- They are working on getting a spotlight on the statue in the gathering area.

Faith Formation Commission – Sandy Boge

- They are still needing more people join this group, they only have 2 now.
- Sacrament preparations:
 - Reconciliation will be starting
 - Finished up (finally) confirmation & first communion as it had been delayed by COVID-19
- Elementary faith formation starts Wednesday, September 30th. The enrollment is down, had to cut the pre-school program.
- Youth group started; they meet the first & third Sundays of the month from 6:00 – 7:30.
- Can we bring Alter serving back? Father Tom will check with diocese and let Sandy know so she can put out a schedule.

School Commission – Mary Hauck

- Week 6, all going well and everyone healthy. Keeping prepared to move to online if necessary.
- Kids are divided into 3 cohorts – Kindergarten & First Grade, Second, third & Forth Grade, and Fifth & Sixth. They go to lunch & recess together.
- Starting Monday October 5th, we will be following new order that all students wear a mask all day.

- Picture Day is Wednesday, September 30th.
- Crop walk – they can only take cash donations this year.
- Parent-Teacher conferences will be held in person. Masks worn.
- Next year we are up for accreditation, Mary is working on.
- Free lunches started for all enrolled students. They retro back to the beginning of school. Expected to last until December.
- Enrollment is up, we have 100 students!
- Mary is going to retire summer of 2022

Stewardship Commission – No report

VII Standing Issues – None

VIII Old Business –

- Letter responses. We decided we would need a sub-committee to go through those that didn't respond. Erin is going to email the council the response spreadsheet. Some issues may be a change of address, Ed suggested a change of address form be placed in the gathering area. Erin will get with Ericka in the office.

IX New Business –

- Three council members have terms up – Chair Erin Ludwig, Vice-Chair Chris Schafer and member Kurt Schafer. Erin has agreed to stay on as liaison for the next year to get us through the strategic plan. New chair & vice chair are needed. Lesley Elias made motion to nominate Charlie Gross as Chair and Elton Clark as Vice Chair, second by Amanda Gross, approved unanimously by council. With Elton taking the roll of Vice Chair, he asked to be replaced as the Finance Representative. Ed Schafer nominated Amanda Gross, second by Terrie Zitzelsberger, approved unanimously by council.
- We will have 3 new members joining – Kim Fox and Phil & Julie Gross. They will attend the October meeting.
- Erin advised Finance has three new members; Norma Peldyak, Ann Ryder, and Della Seeley.

X Announcements/Information – None

**XI Next Meeting - Tuesday, October 27th – 7:15
(Tuesday November 25th, No meeting in December)**