

St Joseph Church  
Parish Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday Sept. 19, 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Name	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Fr. Hai Dinh	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Carol Kaalberg (Cluster Coordinator)	-	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Arlene Johnston (4 <sup>th</sup> year of 3 years)	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Sieverding (2 <sup>nd</sup> year of 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3-yr term))	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Matthew Waldschmidt (2 <sup>nd</sup> year of 3 years)	-	X	A	X	A	X	X	-	X			
Carol Mills (3 <sup>rd</sup> year of 3 years)	-	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X			
Pam Boeckenstedt (1 <sup>st</sup> year of 3 years)	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	-	X			
Jim Mills (1 <sup>st</sup> year of 3 years)	-	-	-	-	A	X	A	X	A			
Dede Ollendick (1 <sup>st</sup> year of 3 years)	-	-	-	-	X	A	X	X	X			
Marty Boeckenstedt (Lay Director)	-	A	X	X	X	A	X	-	X			
Carol Kirkpatrick (Lay Director)	-	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	A			

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Matthew Waldschmidt. Opening prayer by Fr. Hai.
2. No guests present.
3. Minutes from the last meeting. Corrections: 5. Religious Ed Build: has a new roof. 8. Memorial Day. Father Hai will say the Mass and take a different day off. Motion to approve the amendments by Carol Mills. Second by Pam Boeckenstedt. Motion carried.
4. Father Hai Report
  - a. Synod: Last Thursday, Father had a meeting with the Bishop and other priests about the Synod. We continue to invite people back to Mass (welcoming everyone). We are encouraging young people to participate. Our "theme" for the year will be a focus on welcoming and belonging.
  - b. Diocesan Pastoral Council: Is in the process of restructuring. All previous members have been relieved of their duties and the Bishop is in the process of finding a different dynamic for his new committee (younger, LGBTQ rep, homeless person, more diverse group) and is looking at reducing its numbers to around 20-25 people.
  - c. Knights of Columbus: will be visiting us from Davenport and will invite men to join. Their group requires 30 members in-order to form a new council. We have 4 men interested now.
  - d. Eucharistic Revival: The Corpus Christi event June 19<sup>th</sup> was successful. Adoration was done by walking around Atrium Village and the church grounds. We will need to organize better for next year to have a cross bearer, etc.
  - e. Father Gone: Oct. 18-Oct. 27 Father will be gone. Communion Service will be performed by Carol Kaalberg and Carol Kirkpatrick for both Atrium Village and Pioneer Park. Hosts for Communion Service are consecrated at weekend Masses. There are no Mass intentions at a Communion Service.

5. Carol Kaalberg Report

- a. Carol will attend the presbyter meeting in Father's absence in October. We will plan to pray the rosary before all Masses in October. Bob and Connie Shaw sold the float/cart and banners to the Cluster Parishes for our use in parades.

6. Commission Reports

- a. **Family Life/Church Life:** Carol Mills
  - i. No report.
- b. **Social Justice and Peace:** Dede Ollendick
  - i. Father has a spot in the Bulletin collecting \$ for Pakistan. You can donate via Caritas International, of which Catholic Relief Services is an affiliate.
- c. **Faith Formation:** Carol Kirkpatrick (gone)
  - i. Carol Kaalberg reported that classes have begun. The program is using both facilities. Mass will be held on the 1st Wednesday of every month for teaching/learning purposes. RCIA: We have 6 candidates and three volunteers to help with the program. They plan to have class in the St. Joseph Church Hall. Carol Kaalberg, Connie Shaw, Mary Lenz and Father Hai are part of this group. Confirmation Mass: Is Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 11 at St. Mary's, Lone Tree with the Bishop. All cluster parishioners are encouraged to attend. Father Hai has been approved by the Bishop to confirm Hayden Yoder at the end of October (cannot come on 10/15). A luncheon will be at noon. Please come to meet and greet the Bishop. Let's make it a "pack the church" day.
- d. **Building and Grounds:** Mike Sieverding
  - i. Mike said they paid the chimney guy. An audit on insurance for all 3 cluster parishes is being done. A report will be coming. Items found: don't put stuff around furnace. Lights above exit signs need to be in working order. Other items will be discussed after the report is complete (in one week).
- e. **Finance:** Marty Boeckenstedt - no report.
  - i. Father Hai spoke, for July the total income was \$3825, total expenses were \$16,507 (short funds \$12,682). In August, total income was \$10,459, expenses were \$25,860 (short \$15,400). We transferred money to cover the expenses. The carpeting came out of this (\$2,200). Payroll is \$11,000, Priest Aid Insurance was \$6911.
- f. **Liturgy:** Fr. Hai
  - i. We added the blood of Christ on Sundays. Going forward, we will need 3 eucharistic ministers at each Mass. We have a new parishioner from West Liberty who wants to be a eucharistic minister.
  - ii. Music for Masses: 1st Sunday: Robynn Anderson, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>: Lily and Connie and Bob Shaw, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>: Lura Loan.

- g. **Altar & Rosary:** Carol Kirkpatrick: Absent, no report.
  - h. **St. Stanislaus Cemetery:** Jim Mills: Absent, no report.
  - i. **Donuts:** Pam and Marty Boeckenstedt will cover.
7. Old Business  
Prayer Garden: Tabled till Spring. Bid on stairs repair (\$6,500). Not sure how soon we need to do it. Considering if we can close that exit permanently and remove them. To be discussed after checking with local fire department on codes.
8. New Business  
New Employee: We have new help in the office: Lora Sieverding! She will back-up Connie on Quick Books. At the Confirmation Retreat, she will be taking photos. She is going to the Diocesan Day for a new employee training session. Grant Request: Father Kneemiller made a grant request for this Rosary Project (asking for \$7,000). Other application may be coming to be considered. Thanksgiving Baskets: The Knights of Columbus in Muscatine be offering a Thanksgiving food basket worth \$90 of food. Names will be collected at the Wednesday Food Pantry events. Corporate Board Meeting: A zoom meeting was held on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of Sept. Discussion was about standardizing of software, insurance, and retirement throughout the Diocese. Also discussed was Health and Life Insurance, Payroll (using Paylocity program).and Virtus Training standardization. Trudi Westfall is our Virtus Coordinator

Closing Prayer: Done by Carol Kaalberg

Next Meeting Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

Adjourned: 7:31 PM

Minutes recorded by Dede Ollendick