

St Joseph's Church

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 19, 2021

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| Fr. Mike Spiekermeier                                       |   |   |   | X | X | X | - |   |   |   |   |   |
| Fr. Hai Dinh  |   |   |   | - | - | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Carol Kaalberg (Cluster Coordinator)                        |   |   |   | X | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Arlene Johnston (4 <sup>th</sup> year of 3 years)           |   |   |   | X | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Mike Sieverding (4 <sup>th</sup> Year of 3 Year)            |   |   |   | X | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Matthew Waldschmidt (2 <sup>nd</sup> year of 3 years)       |   |   |   | X | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Carol Mills (2 <sup>nd</sup> <sup>st</sup> year of 3 years) |   |   |   | X | X | A | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Jim Schneider (2 <sup>nd</sup> year of 2 year)              |   |   |   | X | X | X | A |   |   |   |   |   |
| Karen Karr (2 <sup>nd</sup> year of 2 Year)                 |   |   |   | A | A | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Carol Kirkpatrick (Lay Director)                            |   |   |   | X | X | X | X |   |   |   |   |   |
| Marty Boeckenstedt (Lay Director)                           |   |   |   | X | A | X | A |   |   |   |   |   |

1. Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm
2. Opening prayer by Fr. Hai
3. Minutes from the last meeting approved by Carol Mills and Karen Karr 2nd
4. Welcomed guests - Finance Council, Laura Westemeyer, Judy Stebral, Trudi Westfall
  - a. Laura Westemeyer presented the Regency project- cleaning up Regency last week of July 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>. Identified trailers to be fixed up and supplies already ordered through Menards. Looking for more volunteers to help work on roof, wheelchair ramps, widening doorways for wheelchair access, etc. if you have a day or multiple days, contact Michelle Montgomery for times and details. The Christmas program will continue this year. Knights of Columbus will be assisting as well, and hotdogs will be sold on-site.
  - b. Finance Council - annual report, and budget proposed, reviewed by the Finance Council and the Parish Council. All in favor of approving the budget.
5. Father Hai:
  - a. had Mass at Atrium Village, anointed 14 people during the visit. The Education Center needs bushes trimmed and some landscaping is done. Possibly call Absolute Services for the landscaping of the Education Center. Water standing in the parking lot of the Education Center. Need to have gravel dumped to rectify. Water runs into the building and needs repair to prevent water damage. Mike Sieverding said that he will look into it to determine the next steps. Windows need to be replaced and a rail put in as well. Father wants to have a 2 hour cleanup with the children and parents to help clean up the class area. Suggested that this happens in September after the class registration.
  - b. approval from Sunday and the diocese to repair the roof.
  - c. Invite friends and family to Mass, bring people into the church
  - d. Rediscovering Sunday, it is in the bulletin with an online survey encouraging everyone to participate.

- e. Auto-locking door proposed for the east door of the parking lot. A1 tech is the company that does it. Mike Sieverding motioned and Carol Mills 2nd and unanimously approved. discussion on time needs to happen. Judy will check in with the company.
- f. The rectory basement water heater is rusting. Mike Sieverding will look at it.
- g. Someone needs to update the north entrance bulletin board and keep it updated. We said that we will put it in the bulletin for volunteers.

## 1. Commission Reports

- a. Family Life/Church Life: Carol Mills
  - i. The installation on July 25th needs 4 servers presented in the order of Mass and Carol Kaalberg will be the master of ceremonies. Parish council will be invited for Mass to sit in the reserved seat 2nd and 3rd row.
  - ii. luncheon will have food and prizes.
- b. Social Justice and Peace: Arlene Johnston
  - i. Saturday is the first Christian Music Fest at the ball diamond.
- c. Faith Formation: Karen Karr
  - i. Trudi Westfall presented information on Faith Formation, the feedback from children wanting to focus on the catechism and God and not focus on textbooks, the previous books didn't build on the story they just repeated and filtered out a lot. Chosen, faith sharing will be the new "textbook" hopefully more engaging for the students. There will be a September to September Confirmation class. Taking kids on trips, and participating in conferences and activities that will help kids be involved and buy into their faith education. Looking for help from the parish to help kids participate in retrievin. 1st communion will have 8-10 people who might need an additional teacher. Reviewed the educational tools that have been used and requested ideas and feedback from the parish council.
- d. Building and Grounds: Mike Sieverding
  - i. Relay to Levi the roof is good to go. They looked at the rectory duct but they have not provided an understandable report. We may have to go to a high-efficiency boiler that can be vented. Need recommendations on what needs to be done and more detail on the situation. Mike Sieverding will look at the water heater. Father wants a gospel holder in front of the lecternl.
- e. Finance Council: Matt Waldschmidt
  - i. Already covered
- f. Liturgy: Fr. Hai
  - i. Funeral Mass last week, this coming Sunday we will need to add a prayer for grandparents and the elderly will try to have the bishop bless all grandparents and elderly. Interview with Bob McDaniels from the diocese, more information in the bulletin this week. The bishop is going to ask each parish if it is a good time for a capital campaign for the endowment for the retired priests. A Deacon will come to parish August 7th and 8th
- g. Altar & Rosary: Carol Kirkpatrick
  - i. NA
- h. St. Stanislaus Cemetery: Mike Sieverding

- i. NA
- 2. Old business
  - a. NA
- 3. New business
  - a. NA
- 4. Our Father closing prayer
- 5. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm
- 6. Next meeting in person, August 16th, 6:30 PM