

St. Joseph Pastoral Council Meeting September 20, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Janan Weber at Reuter Hall in Raymond. Members present were Don Weber, Mary Weber, Jim Bailey, Scott Reiter, Craig Becker, Father Huber, Chris Youngblut, and Paula Winkers. Excused: Garry Damon, Michelle Stroh, Jamie McMahon, Mark Becker.

Father Huber led us in opening prayer.

Jim motioned and Don seconded approval of agenda; Mary seconded approval of minutes from previous meeting.

Committee Reports:

Buildings and Grounds: New sidewalk was put in around east entrance of the church by Alex Voigt and his extended family as his Eagle Scout Project. We appreciate their great work. Scott will look into getting something to remove the rug residue outside the church door. Reuter Hall's outside front and side concrete block walls need to be repainted; the doors should be repainted as well. Will check on having Confirmation students in need of service hours do this job in the spring.

Finance: Don led a review of the parish budget/year-end report. The School subsidies increased \$21,738 last year, and we had to go into our savings account to pay this. Donations were down slightly from the previous year. Expenses were \$17,498 more than receipts. Father will talk to the congregation about increased need for tithing. Suggestion was made to include a note with the December year-end tithing report for each family sharing budget highlights and needs.

Education: No report in Jamie's absence.

Community Life/Social Concerns: Prepare for November clothing drive by getting OK from St. Joseph school to drop off items in main entrance; also need someone to deliver collected items to St. Vincent de Paul and to advertise the clothing drive. Janan will ask Janet & Diane about coordinating the Giving Tree with the IC group.

Deanery Council: Jim shared information about upcoming rally for adult faith formation, coming November 3, to Five Sullivan Brothers Center in Waterloo. Cost will be \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. He also spoke of the Lay Leadership through Archdiocese Pastoral Council looking to find what is working in other parishes so it can be shared.

Parish Society: Harvest Breakfast is October 28. Many workers have already been scheduled. Need to schedule church cleaning. Will try doing it weekend of November 10. Jim will talk to Joel & Brenda about having Confirmation students in need of service hours help with this.

Spiritual Growth and Liturgy: Schedules have been set for upcoming Holy Days/Christmas. Date set for 13 Hours is March 10. Fr. Huber & Fr. Boone will both do talks.

Suggestion made to get meeting notes out to all members for corrections and additions, then have a summary included in the church bulletin. Will also publish complete minutes on the website after approval.

Motion to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. by Mary, seconded by Paula.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 6:30 p.m. in Heritage Room if available.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Winklers, Co-Secretary