

St. Joseph Pastoral Council Minutes

October 12, 2016

The Pastoral Council and Finance Committee Members of St. Joseph met on Wednesday, October 12th, 2016 at Reuter Hall in Raymond. Pastoral Council Members present were Fr. Huber, Janan Weber, Rick Kresser, Ralph Kraus, Scott Brady, Amy Schaefer, Paula Winkers and Michelle Stroh. Finance Committee Members present were Scott Reiter, Brad Scobee and Mary Weber. Members not present Mark Becker and Jamie McMahon. Chairperson Janan Weber called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. Fr. Huber led us in opening prayer.

Motion made by Scott Reiter to approve Agenda and previous meeting Minutes, and second by Mary Weber. Motion Approved.

Welcome to Paula Winkers as newly elected Pastoral Council member. Thank you to Michelle Stroh for her 6 years on the board and to Ralph Kraus for accepting a second term. Motion by Amy to keep Michelle on as non-voting member but to take minutes. Second by Rick Kresser. Michelle agreed to this, motion approved. Motion made by Amy and second by Mary for Janan to be Chairperson and Amy motioned, second by Ralph for Rick Kresser to be Vice Chair.

Committee Reports:

Finance & Administration: Status of Parish Checking and Savings Accounts and restricted and unrestricted funds and Cemetary Perpetual Care.

Board of Education: Radon testing below tolerable threshold.

Community Life & Social Concerns: Janan shared a Thank you we received from the Getting Ahead Program that we participated in.

Deanery Report: Nothing to report.

Parish Society: Harvest Breakfast scheduled for October 23rd. Michelle reports plans are coming along nicely. Her committee and herself working on final plans and getting people signed up to work.

Spiritual Growth & Liturgy: We will be giving a book away at Christmas Masses again this year. The book is "Resisting Happiness" by Matthew Kelly. Also we had a discussion of doing Mass Journals-these are explained on the Matthew Kelly website. These could be used at Masses to write things down that strike us, record things meaningful to us. This would start on Ash Wednesday and used through Lent. Paula will check into this more, discussion tabled for now.

Building and Grounds: We have had positive feedback regarding the new lights, painting and carpeting at Reuter Hall. Has given a whole different look, and overall good comments from Parishoners. We received a bid from West Music for new Sound System. Motion made by Brad to approve the bid, and second by Mary. Motion carried. We then went over to Church and talked to Brad from Gunder Furniture and received some quotes on Pews. We got to see and sit in/try out some actual samples. We talked about solid oak kneelers, padded, materials used, etc. Discussion tabled for now, will get some additional fabrics, samples, and follow up at next meetings.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:07PM, by Amy and Second by Paula. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting to be determined.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michelle Stroh, Secretary