

St. Andrew Parish Holts Summit, Missouri

MINUTES

Parish Council Meeting

PRESENT: Msgr. Greg Higley, Joe Veit, Deanna Haslag, Ginny Pattyson, Don Slinkard, JoAnn Scheidt, Larry Hartman, Brian Schulte, Jeanine Kunz, Vicki Clark, Richard McMichael, Jim Keeven, Lana Massman, Karen Jacquin

ABSENT: Alice Hutschreider

OPENING PRAYER: Msgr. Greg led the council in prayer.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-President Brian Schulte called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jim Keeven made a motion to approve the minutes and Karen Jacquin seconded it.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION

Larry distributed Minutes from the February 24, 2011 Administration Commission Meeting.

He reported Allspect has completed the work on the two flat roof hall entrances. Ed Winkelman and Mark Lueckenhoff repaired the ceilings in the entryways.

The Veit Hall awnings were damaged by a heavy snowfall in early February. An estimate for the cost to replace the damaged awnings was prepared by Randy Stegeman and submitted to the insurance company. The insurance company approved the \$22,900 replacement estimate. There will be a \$2,000 deductible. A proposal was received from Wallau & Schnieders in the amount of \$14,575. They will give 10% of that to the church. Additionally, there will be plaster and drywall costs and electrical. Permission has been given by Bishop Gaydos to proceed with the project. Larry suggested we investigate the cost difference and other considerations between steel and aluminum. Other things being taken into consideration are whether there is a need to add beams and posts for added support, or increase the awning pitch. In order to have the awnings in place before our first fish fry, work would need to start immediately. Once the wall is patched, it should cure for a month. Rainbow will provide the paint to paint the wall and Niekamp's will do the painting at no charge. Msgr. asked how we would handle paying the cost of the repairs until the insurance check is received. Deanna replied that it would be possible to juggle bills a bit, rather than taking money out of savings.

OFFICE REPORT: Deanna reported we have received an interest check in the amount of \$644, which has been deposited back into savings.

The amount we owe to St. Peter's each month has been reduced from \$19,776 to \$18,875, due to three less students attending there.

Snow removal has made a significant impact on our budget. The amount spent so far this winter is \$3,950. Msgr. stated we will revisit this for next winter. He is talking to other pastors to determine how they handle snow removal. JoAnn asked if it is necessary to remove snow from the entire lot. Msgr. answered that on week days only part of the lot is done. All of the lot is done on weekends. Kenny Schumann helped with the snow removal after the February blizzard.

EDUCATION

Lana distributed minutes from the February 24, 2011 Education Commission Meeting.

The number of kids attending Morning Glory has decreased to between 2- 6 kids. Judy Hake would like to put something in the bulletin to increase attendance.

Msgr. has approached a number of people about taking over CYO. There are individuals who are willing to help, but not run the program. He will put an announcement in the bulletin.

Between twelve and fourteen students will be making their First Reconciliation on March 16 and First Communion on May 15. All PSR classes are making rosaries, which will be blessed on Palm Sunday. The 7th grade PSR class will present the Shadow Play on Palm Sunday. There will be no PSR Class on March 13 due to Spring Break.

St. Peter's School is implementing a new dress code for the 2012-2013 school year. The St. Peter School Advisory Board is looking for new members to replace several who are going off at the end of the school year. We also need a school board member to replace Michael Coyne, who moved.

There was some discussion about the need to recruit new committee members. The committee members would like individuals involved at St. Peter's and Helias to be on the committee. They are considering putting an announcement in the bulletin.

Deanna said to just send her the bulletin announcements and she will get them in.

The next meeting is April 27th.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Jeanine reported on the Social Concerns Commission.

The budget was presented. Contributions in the amount of \$500 were made to Serve, Samaritan Center, Salvation Army, and St. Andrew Soup Kitchen, and electrical assistance was provided to an individual. The Balance as of January 26, 2011 is \$3,779.69.

Thank you notes were received from all who received donations.

A request was received to fund one Special Olympics athlete. They voted to do that, hoping the Knights of Columbus, Sodality, and Social Concerns could split the \$160 cost.

Deacon Tom Fischer from St. Peter's Parish in JC made a presentation on the St. Vincent DePaul Society. They will discuss this more at their April Meeting. Msgr. Greg commented that Bishop Gaydos wants parishes to have an outreach program such as the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Social Concerns meets these requirements with the numerous outreach programs already in place.

Because of the involvement of other area churches and organizations, the Soup Kitchen will be called the Holts Summit Soup Kitchen rather than St. Andrew Soup Kitchen.

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

Jim reported that the Worship and Spiritual Life Committee met on February 8, 2011.

He reported that Margie Hagenhoff will have the grapevine wreaths up for Lent and they are working on the music minister's closet.

Jim reported there would be a Seder Meal on Holy Thursday. Msgr. explained this is a traditional Jewish feast that marks the beginning of Passover.

Baptismal and Marriage Announcements will be in the bulletin.

The abortionist in Columbia quit.

Changes in the Liturgy take effect Advent 2011. Educating the parish will start in September. Msgr. Greg explained that many of the changes affect the Priest, and that the congregation will see some wording differences in the Gloria, Creed and Responses. Aids will be provided in the pew pockets. Many of the changes affect the Priests.

MSGR. HIGLEY'S COMMENTS:

Msgr. Greg reported there is much going on in the area of education. There are six people in RCIA. Three have never been baptized; three have been Baptized. There are approximately 70 students participating in PSR. Why Catholic? now has over 60 individuals participating during Lent. Earl and Vickie Pabst will give a report at the beginning of summer.

PARISH ELECTIONS:

Msgr. Greg passed out Ballots for elections of officers to the Parish Council. Joe and Deanna collected and counted the ballots.

Brian Schulte was elected President; Jim Keeven, Vice President; and Karen Jacquin, Secretary. Deanna Haslag will take the minutes of the Parish Council meetings.

Msgr. Higley closed with a prayer.

NEXT MEETING: The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, May 4, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Haslag, Parish Secretary