

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

April 26, 2022

Present: Fr. Andrew, Fr. Homero, Dan Fritch, Van Ziegler, Bridgette Bartley, Jason Messmer, Ben Schwenk, Lynn Scheu, Tracie Ihle, Pam Freyberger, Dave Kramer, Luke Messmer, Maggie Schneider, Dave Kramer and Jason Nord

Absent: Fr. Eugene

The 7:00 pm meeting was called to order by Van Ziegler.

Opening Prayer – Fr Andrew led us in prayer.

Bridgette Bartley made a motion to approve the March 2022 Parish Council Minutes. Dave Kramer seconded the motion. All were in favor of approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Church Renovation Project Status Report - Alan Hoffman

- a. Good progress is being made in the north parking lot including new curbs being installed. Half of the parking lot is on schedule to being open towards the end of May.
- b. The stone for the north Sacristy steps still has not arrived.
- c. Sidewalks have been installed in the south parking lot and progress is being made.
- d. Scaffolding is installed and ceiling work is being performed. Contractors are beginning to make progress on removal of old ceiling material.

2. Capital Campaign Update – Dan Fritch

- a. Since Fr. Andrew's weekend Homily comments regarding the Our Time Campaign, an additional \$60,000+ has been received.
- b. A Church color paint reveal will be held the week after the picnic. There will be a presentation to provide updates and share more information on the final color schemes. We pray the remaining amount for the Our Time Capital Campaign can be raised with the excitement of this event.

3. Holy Trinity Parish Assessment Discussion & asked for Parish Council support – Dan Fritch

- a. Discussed the annual fee structure which is be based on 75% enrollment and 25% offertory and a two-year phase-in.
- b. Finalizing the verification process to ensure students who are registered with the Parish.
- c. All Parish Council members were supportive to proceed with the annual fee structure.

4. Eucharistic Renewal Plan – All plans are proceeding well.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussed potential development of St. Joseph Church Holy Trinity School Committee/Commission. The objectives and goals of a potential committee/commission will be discussed with Fr. Andrew during the next Executive Committee and will report back.
2. Parish Council Members review & discussion: Jason Messmer and Ben Schwenk's 1st terms are ending after the May meeting. Ben & Jason have the option to run again for Parish Council. Encouraged everyone to think of others who may be interested in serving on Parish Council. Bridgette Barley is finishing her 2nd term on Parish Council. Thank you, Bridgette, Jason, and Ben for serving!
3. Van reminded Commission Representatives to share discussion and/or action topics ahead of time so we can add as a New Business point of discussion on the agenda.

4. Tammy attended a Finance staff meeting held by the Diocese. They discussed how to increase tithing and she provided a couple high level discussion points. Tammy and Dan to follow up on potentially pursuing a mentioned program.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

FINANCE: *Dan Fritch*

- **Financial Review (March 2022)**

○ Budgeted Income	\$1,057,132.10
○ Actual Income	\$996,621.01
○ Variance	(\$60,511.09)
○ Budgeted Expenses	\$1,095,926.81
○ Actual Expenses	\$1,007,793.78
○ Variance	\$ 88,133.03

- **Sunday Collections YTD**

- March 2022 Sunday Collection Year to Date 39 collections \$ 826,472.91 -- Weekly Average \$ 21,191.61 (\$976.52)
2021-22 Budgeted Weekly Collection Amount is \$22,168.13 based on 52 collections.
- March 2021 Sunday Collection Year to Date 39 collections \$ 795,951.75 -- Weekly Average \$ 20,409.02 (\$1,324.45)

- **Our Time Capital Campaign Update**

- Our Time Capital Campaign pledge amounts at \$9,580,371.

PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie Ihle*

- Wonderful Easter Vigil
- Working on Corpus Christi program
- First Communion is being held this weekend

EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Lynn Scheu*

- Reported the Respect Life Group met.
- Formation by watching "Search"
- Working to restart Bingo in Nurse Homes and has volunteers
- The City of Jasper Ecumenical Council is working on the Family Festival which will be held Sept 10th from 9:30-1:00 at Schroeder Complex. A variety of activities and events will be held.

PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE: *Dave Kramer*

- Coffee and Conversion hosts are needed at 7:30 am & 9:30 am Mass
 - Parish Council – May 8th
- Still looking for volunteers for bereavement dinners

LATINO: *Fr. Homero*

- Media retreat 60-65 people attended
- Working with picnic committee to help with the food booth

SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- Great to see young families at 9:30 Mass.
- 20 people helped with Picnic letters and everything is stuffed and ready to go!
- A co-worker said they are joining the Catholic Church!
- Several volunteers are getting involved in a variety of areas at St. Joseph

Closing Prayer: Fr. Homero led us in prayer.

The next meeting will be **Tuesday, May 31, 2022 at 7:00 pm** in Room 303.

Submitted by: Jason Nord