

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

July 27, 2021

Present: Fr. Andrew, Fr. Homero, Dan Fritch, Pam Freyberger, Van Ziegler, Max Verkamp, Tracie Ihle, Jason Messmer, Mike Hagerdon, Bridgette Bartley

Absent: Fr. Eugene, Patty Brosmer, Carmen Miranda, Yesica Miranda, Lynn Scheu, Jane Gehlhausen, and Ben Schwenk

Opening Prayer – Van led us in prayer

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

Jason Messmer made a motion and Tracie Ihle seconded the motion to accept the May Meeting Minutes. All were in favor of approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Church Renovation Project & Discussion** – *Van*

- a. Discussed removal of pews, storage of the backs/benches, and disposition of them in the future.
 - a. A place has been identified to store them until disposition occurs
- b. Color scheme has been decided.
- c. Reviewing options that are not currently part of the approved plan.

2. **Transition Update** – *Mike*

- a. Reviewed the dates of the transition to Kundek Hall.
 - a. Prep work begins the first week of August
 - b. Monday, August 30th at 8 am will be the last Mass at the Church and Sept 4th at 8 am will be the first Mass in Kundek Hall
- b. Reviewed the updates that will be made to Kundek Hall to make it a comfortable and reverent place for prayer and worship.

3. **Capital Campaign Update** – *Dan*

- a. Pledges total \$8,579,186 as of 7/20.
- b. Will be mailing out about 300 letters to parishioners who have not responded to their initial contacts.

4. **Parish Council Member Policy & Action Review** – *Van*

- a. Asked all members to review the policy and bring any questions forward.

5. **Parish Council Elections Update** – *Van*

- a. 4 open seats but only two individuals have expressed interest.
- b. We need two additional parishioners to fill the open spots.

6. **Parish Community Life Representative** – *Van*

- a. Announced that Dave Kramer has agreed to lead this Commission.

7. **Allegation Policy & Speaker Policy Decrees** – *Fr. Andrew*

- a. Diocese has come out with new updated policies on allegations which can be found on the parish and diocese websites.
- b. Every speaker from outside of the diocese will have to present a letter of good standing in order to present.

8. **Estate Planning** – *Van*

- a. Discussed holding a session for parishioners on the estate planning process.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Commissions Meeting Guidelines/By-laws** – *Van*

- a. Scheduled a meeting for the Commissions to meet on Tuesday, August 17th at 7 pm to discuss how the new structure is working. Van will be distributing a meeting invite.

2. **Brute Society Nominations** – *Van*

- a. Deadline to submit nominations to the diocese is Sept. 1, 2021.
- b. The request for parish nominations will be put into the bulletin over multiple weeks.

3. **Adult Servers for weekday Mass** – *Fr. Andrew*

- a. Believe we now have enough, but are always open to accepting more individuals.
- b. Caleb is no longer with us. He was very helpful to the parish this summer.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

FINANCE: *Dan reported*

- **June Financial Review**

○ Budgeted Income	\$1,416,701
○ Actual Income	\$1,342,711
○ Variance	(\$73,990)
○ Budgeted Expenses	\$1,416,701
○ Actual Expenses	\$1,308,619
○ Variance	\$ 108,082

- **Sunday Collections**

○ 2021	52 collections	\$1,077,634	Average \$20,724
○ 2020	52 collections	\$1,055,439	Average \$20,297

- CPC will kick off in late September.

PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie reported*

- First Communion will be May 1, 2022 in Kundek Hall and will likely be a separate Mass.
- Net Ministries to arrive in early September with a team of 8. They will be assisting with high school ministry.
- New Mom group is working well. 12 individuals signed up with 4 to 8 attending regularly.
- Divorce group session to be held this Fall.

EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Mike reported*

- Discussed the holding of a golf scramble, but it will likely not work out this year.
- Angel Tree planning will be starting.
- St. Joseph's will be participating in Jasper's Faith and Family Day on Sept 11th.
- On Sept. 25th, St. Joseph's will participate in Jasper's Faith and Family Work Day.

PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE:

- The Senior Citizens Appreciation Mass and Lunch was a wonderful event that was well attended.

LATINO: *Fr. Homero reported*

- Spanish Cursillo for women was held in July and was very successful.
- Choir membership is growing.
- English classes with Catholic Charities began the first week of July.

SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- Thank you to all who made the Senior Appreciation Mass and Dinner successful.
- Totus Tuus and Rock Your Faith summer programs were successful.
- German Consul General will be in Jasper over Strassenfest and wants to visit St. Joseph Church.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Homero led us in prayer.

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

Submitted by: Max Verkamp