

PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

May 25, 2021

Present: Fr. Eugene, Fr. Homero, Jane Gehlhausen, Pam Freyberger, Lynn Scheu, Van Ziegler, Ben Schwenk, Max Verkamp, Tracie Ihle, Jason Messmer, Mike Hagerdon, Bridgette Bartley, Caleb Scherzinger

Absent: Fr. Andrew, Dan Fritch, Patty Brosmer, Carmen Miranda, Yesica Miranda, Patty Mills, and Mike Mills

Opening Prayer – Fr. Eugene 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 April Meeting Minutes. All were in favor of approval.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Church Renovation Project & Discussion** – *Fr. Eugene*
 - a. Reviewed different color options for the mortar and made a final decision.
 - b. Discussed options for the painting of the ceiling.
 - c. Bids from the interior subcontractors will be coming in shortly.
 - d. Discussion is occurring of a possible relocation of the statues from the south lawn to the plaza. Have reviewed the history of why they were originally placed on the south lawn.
2. **Capital Campaign Update** – *Jane*
 - a. Pledges currently total \$8,243,334.14 with 55% from parishioners. Money collected totals \$6,068,590.
 - b. Have over 400 packets outstanding.
3. **New COVID-19 Guidelines for Church and Parish Center** – *Fr. Eugene*
 - a. Discussed the new Mass guidelines that were shared with the parish this past weekend and become effective this upcoming weekend of May 29-30.
 - b. Expectation is that with the new guidelines we will be able to accommodate everyone at every Mass within the Church.
 - c. Meetings in the Parish Center can be mask free if the group agrees to being mask free.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Commission Changes** – *Van*
 - a. Patty and Mike Mills have to step down for personal reasons. Van requested the Council funnel the names of any potential individuals who might be interested in leading the Parish Community Life Commission.
2. **Commission E-mail Address** – *Van*
 - a. Discussed having specific e-mail addresses for each Commission. The addresses will be published for parishioners.
 - i. Finance@stjosephjasper.org
 - ii. SpiritualLife@stjosephjasper.org
 - iii. LatinoMinistry@stjosephjasper.org
 - iv. CommunityLife@stjosephjasper.org
 - v. ParishOutreach@stjosephjasper.org
3. **Parish Council Elections – Confirm Nominations** – *Jane*
 - a. 4 individuals have terms that will expire.
 - i. Van Ziegler, Patty Brosmer, and Carmen Miranda all have the option to serve another 3-year term.
 - ii. Max Verkamp is ineligible for another term since he has served 6 years.
 - b. Requested the Council think of individuals that may be interested in a nomination to the Council.
 - c. Elections will be held the 2nd week of August.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

FINANCE: *Jane reported*

- **April Financial Review**

○ Budgeted Income	\$1,170,566
○ Actual Income	\$1,102,608
○ Variance	(\$67,958)
○ Budgeted Expenses	\$1,179,094
○ Actual Expenses	\$1,096,763
○ Variance	\$ 82,331

- **Sunday Collections**

○ 2021	43 collections	\$883,919	Average \$20,556
○ 2020	43 collections	\$898,139	Average \$20,864

- Working on the 2021/22 budget. Will be ready for approval at the next meeting.
- CPC will kick off in late September.

PARISH SPIRITUAL LIFE: *Tracie reported*

- June 23rd at 6 pm will be an opportunity to meet the Totus Tuus leaders. The K of C will be grilling food for this meet and greet.
- Discussed re-starting the children's Liturgy of the Word in the Fall.
- May offer a book study on the book, *Walking with Purpose*, for overwhelmed mothers
- Fr. Andrew is putting together a spreadsheet calendar for all the commissions. Then the commissions will fill in the dates of events/activities that are upcoming. This will become an outward facing calendar for the parish.

EVANGELIZATION & OUTREACH: *Lynn reported*

- June 10th meeting scheduled to discuss the ideas generated through the SWOT analysis.
 - Trying to get small groups going with different topics
- Working on call list for parishioners
- Discussed different ways to expose the parish to all of the different ministries of the Parish in order to provide more exposure.
- Looking at putting together a couple's dinner.

PARISH COMMUNITY LIFE: *Van reported*

- Food Fest & Grand Raffle on track for June 6th.
 - Have over \$35,000 in grand raffle tickets sold.
- July 25th will be the Senior Dinner. It will be after the 11:15 am Mass on that day.
- Discussed the possibility of starting up the Coffee and Conversation again after Mass.

LATINO: *Fr. Homero reported*

- From April to May 12th, we had a group of individuals help people file their taxes.
- English classes have started.
- Sisters of St. Benedict helped the Latino community with vaccinations.
- Will have a booth at the Food Fest and individuals are scheduled to work.
- Retreat for liturgical ministers is being scheduled.
- Spanish Cursillo is scheduled in June for men and July for women. 28 men and 40 women are signed up.

SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS

- Had a successful recognition of high school seniors at last week's Mass.
- Ben and Kate Schwenk are expecting their 2nd child in October.
- Tracie's children did well in a school performance.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Homero led us in prayer.

The next meeting will be **June 29, 2021 at 7:00 pm** in Kundek Hall.

Submitted by: Max Verkamp

Calendar of Events

Evangelization & Outreach

- Respect Life meeting June 8th at 5:45 pm (2nd Tuesday of every month)
- Evangelization and Outreach Meeting June 10th at 5:30 pm
- Pray at Louisville Women's clinic June 12th
- RCIA Inquiry June 14th (2nd Monday of every month)

Community Life

- Food Fest and Grand Raffle on Sunday June 6th from 10:30 am -2:00 pm with the raffle drawing @ 1:30 pm
- Senior Dinner on July 25th with Mass @ 11:15 am followed with carry out dinners or (weather permitting) picnic on the plaza.

Spiritual Life

- Spiritual Life Meeting July 19th