

**The Church of the Holy Redeemer**

**Finance Council Minutes**

**Monday September 19, 2011**

**Members Present:** Fr. Paul , Dan Sussner, Tom Ries, Eric Porter, Rick Ramert, Donna Schilling, Mike Alex, Beth Fischer, Neil Sullivan, Joe Krogman, Lynn Nelson

**Members Absent:** Kris Gruhot, Todd Dirckx, Paul Meyer, Mike Martins

**Call to Order** by Donna Schilling

Opening prayer lead by Fr Paul by reviewing "Understanding the Revised Text"

**M/S/P** Sullivan/Ries minutes with the correction of Mike Alex being present

**M/S/P** Ries/Porter approval of agenda with the addition of three item Huisenfeldt gift, shingles on the church, and priest housing.

**Committee Reports:**

**Properties:** Catholic Mutual will be coming out to re-inspect the church and fair stand for hail damage. Building committee did a walk through inspection of the school to look at the recent work completed and complimented on how nice of a job the custodial people are doing. The properties committee is in the process of doing school and convent building assessment. This process will help evaluate and plan what and when updates should be made to either building.

**Audit and Budget:** Lynn reviewed the new financial reports truing up various accounts. The school is ahead of plan. Gambling account was set up since it was needed for the Harvest Festival raffle and bingo and the new Sunday night bingo events.

**Pastors Report:** Fr. Paul reported that October 16<sup>th</sup> is the church's dedication which will be at the 10:00 a.m. mass. The organ dedication will be at 3:00 p.m. on the same day. Circles are meeting and are doing various volunteer tasks within the church. The cemetery will get their new sign erected during the middle of October.

**Trustee Report:** No Report

**M/S/P Sussner/** Porter approval of reports

**Unfinished Business:** Eric Porter reviewed the new Social Concerns committee procedures manual. The manual explains how all monies are going to be dispersed to the various concerns that are within our community. The committee approved the new manual by consensus and will start using this manual immediately.

**New Business:** Dan Sussner recommended that the recent gift the church received as part of the Huisenfeldt Estate, go towards the Holy Redeemer capital campaign. M/S/P Ries/Porter “Motion to have this gift go to the capital campaign” motion passed.

After recent work on the church roof, it was noted that a couple of areas could present a water damage problem to the interior of the church. Dan indicated that we need for Catholic Mutual to come back to re-inspect the roof. Also research needs to be done on the roof to develop a plan to insure that the roof will not fail in the future.

Finally, Dan discussed that as part of the renovation which includes the parish center. Should we continue to keep the priest in the rectory or off premises in some other form of housing? A motion was made that “the Finance Council establish a committee to study the options, cost, and timetable for offsite priest’s housing” M/S/P by Sussner/Krogman motion passed.

**Adjourn**