

Pastoral Parish Council
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2018

Opening

The regular meeting of the Pastoral Parish Council was called to order at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, January 15, 2018 in Carlin Hall by Brad Gruhot.

Opening Prayer – Father Paul

Approval of Agenda – Approved

Approval of Minutes – Approved

Present

Parish Council Members: Father Paul Wolf, Brad Gruhot, Cindy Sanders, Mark and Pam Timmerman, Tom Webb, Pam Hess, Dave and Margaret Olafson, Joyce Beebout and Matt Weller

Trustee: Doug Olsem

Council of Catholic Women: Sheryl Kaiser

Staff Member – Quentin Brunsvold

Report of Committees

C.C.W. – Sheryl Kaiser

- Sheryl thanked the Parish Council members who provided cookies and/or shopped at the Christmas cookie walk
- Sheryl also asked the Council for ideas on how to promote the event and also increase the cookie donations
- The 2017 cookie walk made \$1,256.78 with proceeds being donated to our youth programs. A free will donation for caramel rolls was offered which brought in more money for the event.
- CCW and CDA had a great holiday gathering on December 11.
- CCW purchased three new roasters for Carlin Hall
- 2018 dues notices for CCW will be sent the week of January 15 to all registered women of the parish over 18 years of age
- CCW will be participating in the Mission of Love for the San Lucas Mission. More details to follow in February.

- Is there any help needed from CCW for the Parish Mission scheduled for February 25 and 26? Cindy Sanders and Sheryl will discuss.

Trustees/Finance Report – Doug Olsem

- All departments are coming in ahead of planned budget and now planning is starting for next year
- End of fiscal year is June 30

Pastors Report – Father Paul Wolf

- There are no budget changes at this time. We have two Deacons that will be ordained on April 21 at 10:00 AM in Sleepy Eye. The Deacon is a non-paid position within the parish so will not impact our budget. Ken Noyes will be assigned to Marshall and Travis Welsh hasn't received his assignment.
- Should there be a reception held for Ken? Suggested to have coffee/rolls after mass on Sunday. Sheryl Kaiser will have CCW plan and organize.

Old Business

Capital Campaign – Quentin and Trustees

- There is \$3.3m in pledged money for Phase I of the Education Center which is two-thirds of our goal
- Committee has met with YHR architects and now waiting to see what the exact project total will be. Can this project start the summer of 2018? The HVAC is the large portion of this project and looking to begin work in 2019.
- Working on design/scope of the project now for bidding on the project
- Need to reenergize capital campaign with parishioners when project cost numbers are finalized
- Hope to receive in-kind materials and or labor commitments from some contractors
- Goal is to reach every parishioner with a pledge packet

Parish Security – Quentin

- Local police department was hesitant on giving advice or setting a policy
- Is there something for security that can be setup for all parishes in Marshall? Rob Yant will be scheduling a meeting with the Marshall Ministerial group
- For now, Holy Redeemer will continue to have only the front doors of the church open and continue to monitor with security cameras

Light Up the Night Event - Quentin

- This was a wonderful experience.....but a lot of work and hours were put into this event
- Suggested to advertise the live nativity taking place at the event and also possibly coordinate the live nativity with the Hospice event times
- Profit from this year will be used to reinvest in holiday decorations for next year
- Suggested to announce Light Up the Night event at SMSU games to promote attendance
- A wrap up meeting is scheduled for January 23 at the Hospice office

New Business

Fundraisers - Quentin

- Magazine Drive was approved by the Finance Council to continue as this generates approximately \$25,000/year
- Calendar Raffle – The 300 calendar raffle nets about \$15,000/year. Should we change the ticket price to \$50.00 and possibly sell more tickets?
- Who owns fundraising now within the parish and should there be a fundraising committee? Currently, fundraising is coordinated through the Parish Council.
- Spring Fling is scheduled for April 14, 2018 at Carlin Hall
- Catholic schools raffle is currently taking place with tickets being sold for \$5.00/each. This is sponsored by Catholic United Financial with all dollars raised staying within our school – last year the school received \$18,000 from the raffle

Parish Festival Discussion

- Should we continue to have a parish festival and do we want to coordinate the weekend of Sounds of Summer?
- Suggested to stay away from Sounds of Summer weekend because it would be too close to the Lyon County Fair date
- It was suggested if we continue to have a parish festival that we're consistent year after year
- Council members should think of names that could be called to chair the festival and then have a council member as a liaison
- Margaret will check with local parishes on festival dates and report back to Council
- Fall raffle held in conjunction with the festival will be chaired by Margaret Olafson and Matt Weller

Parish Mission Statement

- Question was asked how we are currently marketing the new mission statement. Are we implementing the mission statement at a maximum level?
- Anything the church/school is involved in, the mission statement should be included
- Mission statement will be tabled for next Council meeting

Parish Council Member Individual Items

- Brad Gruhot read a very nice thank you note from Lisa Meyer regarding our Faith Formation programs
- Finance Council has approved to pay fees for all 9th graders attending the Stubenville Conference

Calendar of Events

- Catholic Schools Week is January 28 – February 3
- Holy Redeemer School Open House is January 29 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM
 - Capital campaign packets for the Parish Education Center will be distributed at the open house to all non-Catholic families that have children attending Holy Redeemer School

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Brad Gruhot. The next general meeting will be at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 2018 in the Roncalli Room.

Please send agenda items to Father Paul, Brad Gruhot, and Quentin Brunsvold prior to our next scheduled meeting.

Brad Gruhot led our closing prayer.

Minutes submitted by Margaret and Dave Olafson