

**Pastoral Parish Council
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church**

Meeting Minutes
September 18, 2017

Opening

The regular meeting of the Pastoral Parish Council was called to order at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017 in Carlin Hall by Brad Gruhot.

Opening Prayer – Father Paul

Introduction of council members and guests took place to Doug Olsem as he will be serving as our new trustee

Approval of Agenda – Approved

Approval of Minutes - Approved

Present

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

Trustees: Michelle Full and Doug Olsem

Council of Catholic Women: Sheryl Kaiser

Staff Members – Quentin Brunsvold, Kim Louwagie, Lori Timmerman, Becki Johnson and Dana Webskowski

Absent

Parish Council Members: Joyce Beebout and Dustin and Sonya Vierstraete

Report of Committees

Faith Formation Report – Dana Webskowski

- Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to be a part of the RACE (Relationship, Adoration, Catholic, Evangelization) program
- There were about 50% of the faith formation parents attending the recent RACE Sunday
- This year there will be six speakers due to the cost of speakers
- There were 67 students that attended the Steubenville trip this year
- Working on plans for group to attend the Life Teen Camp in Georgia

Faith Formation Report – Lori Timmerman

- New preschool program “The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd” is offered for children ages 3-5 by Leanna Olsem. Classes are on Tuesdays from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
- Second graders are using “Blessed” – a new Dynamic Catholic Program. Other grades use “Alive in Christ and Call to Faith” series.
- Other involvement for Lori is the Children’s Liturgy starting in October, Christmas concert scheduled for December 13, Vacation Bible School and coffee and rolls.

Becki Johnson – Campus Ministry

- Welcome meals were served to student athletes during move in week
- There was a welcome meal served to students after the 11:30a Mass on move in weekend (at the CRC) and rolls and juice were served to students on Sunday morning Masses the first two weekends as well as ice cream being served to students attending the 5p Mass the first two weekends of classes.
- An open house was hosted at the Campus Religious Center for students and families for Family Weekend
- Meals are served to students five days a week (6 meals total)
- Ruby’s Pantry does not donate the food to the students for serving there. It is donated to Catholic Campus Ministries, along with other non-profit organizations within Marshall who serve meals to the community (Esther’s Kitchen, UMC for their annual weeklong lock-in, etc.)

Faith Formation Report – Kim Louwagie

- Faith Formation program for grades 6-8 follows a six rotating semester focusing on Scripture, Church, Creed, Sacraments, Prayer and Social Justice.
- Students also participate in the Living Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Sacrament of Reconciliation, host masses and attend retreats.

Fall Festival – Cindy Sanders and Margaret Olafson

- Most of the shifts are filled for the festival – added another serving line so workers are needed for this
- Good response on donated items for the Country Store/Silent Auction
- Rain is in forecast for Sunday – committee will discuss as to when outdoor activities will be cancelled due to weather

C.C.W. – Sheryl Kaiser

- There are two conflicts with upcoming meetings in February 2018 and May 2018. C.C.W. will meet on the third Monday in Carlin Hall and Parish Council will move to the Roncalli Room.

Trustees/Finance Report – Michelle Full and Doug Olsem

- Finance will be meeting next week

Pastors Report – Father Paul Wolf

- Magazine drive started this week at the school

Old Business

Capital Campaign – Father Paul, Quentin and Trustees

- There is \$1.075m in pledged money for Phase I of the Education Center
- Meetings are setup for Hill Street Place and Boulder Creek to give an update on the campaign and also give residents an opportunity to ask questions
- Some confusion when referring to the Education Center in not knowing this is the school
- Circles of Support group will be contacted again
- YHR will be contacted to review the HVAC project and get this started soon
- Suggested to inform parishioners when work is being started on the Education Center, which should help with other donations/pledges

Task Forces/Committees – Father Paul

- No report

New Business

Discussion and Direction about Holy Redeemer Circles – Quentin

- Problem with current circles is parishioners don't know what circle they serve on
- Currently, each circle meets two times a year – should we go from twelve to six circles
- Courtney Vroman has different scenarios on how the circles could be organized – problem is only about one-half emails of families are currently on file
- Suggested to have task force for church cleaning and then circle groups could sign up under this task force
- Funeral committee does a great job – they could use circle volunteers for salads and desserts
- No final decision on any changes to the circle layout/assignments

Calendar of Events

- Holy Redeemer Fall Festival – September 24, 2017
- VIRTUS Training – September 21, 2017
- Region III, CCW Fall Gathering – September 25, 2017 at St. Peter's in Canby

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Brad Gruhot. The next general meeting will be at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2017 in Carlin Hall.

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

Father Paul led our closing prayer.

Minutes submitted by Margaret and Dave Olafson

