

ST. BONIFACE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES – MAY 23, 2017

The meeting was opened at 7:05 p.m. with prayer by Father Joe.

Roll call was taken. Members Present: Father Joe, Mary Jeanne Feldkamp, Karen Gillespie, Mike Nolan, Rick Salerno, Ruthann Sammarco, Jessica Shepard, Doug Weiss, Henry Wessler, Rosemary Welz. Jenni Lindgren and newly elected members, Ron Heidemann and Peg Reed, were also present.

The minutes of the March 21 meeting were approved as published.

Father Joe and Council members reported on the following:

Ministries:

- Mary Jeanne Feldkamp reported on the possibility of purchasing an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to keep in the church. Mary Jeanne stated that there are two models available and suggested we purchase an FRXAED Model for approximately \$1,800. The cost would include training for up to five people and a storage cabinet for the AED. It is hoped that additional people will also be trained in the use of the AED. After discussion, Doug Weiss moved and Henry Wessler seconded that the money the parish receives for surpassing our Catholic Ministries Appeal goal be allocated for the purchase of the AED. The motion was unanimously approved.
- A wheelchair, crutches and a walker are stored in the brides' room and are available for use should they be needed. Mary Jeanne asked that anyone using these items return them as soon as possible.

Parish School:

- There are currently 171 students plus 18 preschool students enrolled in St. Boniface School.
- Jenni Lindgren reported that she has received bids for replacing the school doors. The cost of the doors will be approximately \$47,000. Due to the fact that the school has a summer school program, the work on the doors and the LED lighting will be delayed until July.

Liturgy:

- Father Joe mentioned that he felt the Holy Week and Easter liturgies went well. We are quickly moving toward Ascension, Pentecost and Ordinary Time.
- The Psalm 150 Brass Ensemble performed at the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, May 21.

Church Maintenance:

- There are some new maintenance issues that have come up; for example, a new air conditioner for the choir room and repair of damage to the window sill and wall caused by the old air conditioner and also the discovery of some termites in the church.

Financial:

- Father Joe reported that the parish pledged and paid \$31,000 toward the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Half of what is pledged in excess of our parish goal of \$23,000 will be returned to the parish.
- Father Joe reported we have reached about 50% of our two-year pledge of \$25,000 to CAIN. Father will make another appeal for the balance of our pledge.
- A mission speaker will be at the parish sometime this summer.
- Jenni Lindgren distributed a financial statement of activities through April. The parish is currently in the black. The check for the sidewalk work will be written during this fiscal year. The school will bear \$5,000 of the sidewalk cost.
- The Easter collection was lower than expected this year.
- Jenni presented the 2017-2018 budget. Due to the sidewalk repair, tree removal and the construction of the new parking lot the parish is showing a negative balance for this period. After discussion, Mary Jeanne Feldkamp moved and Henry Wessler second that the 2017-2018 budget be approved. The motion was unanimously approved.

Pastoral:

- The Bible Study group is finishing the discussion of St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Miscellaneous:

- Mike Nolan stated that the choir has a new tenor but is still in need of a bass singer.

New Business:

Council Elections -- Ron Heidemann, Ken Price, Peg Reed and Doug Weiss were elected to Parish Pastoral Council. Rick Salerno thanked the Nominating Committee and everyone who ran for Council.

The next meeting will be September 26. The meeting was closed at 8:05 p.m. with prayer by Father Joe.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Welz, Secretary