

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

July 8, 2014

Welcome: Jason welcomed all prior members and the newly elected members. He also thanked the outgoing members: Paula Andres, Betty Vick and Jason Nett.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in the prayer.

Roll Call: Present: Fr. Day, Paula Andres, Merle Kruer, Tony Balmer, Keith Heck, Cathy Graninger, Ryan Kruer, Jason Nett, Betty Vick, Connie Missi, Sharon Schmidt, Bette Buechler, Betty Roll, Mike Cundiff

Excused: Marlin Andres, Stephanie Book,

Absent:

Minutes: Tony made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Ryan seconded. All approved.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Completion/Accuracy of Roster Information for the web page: Father asked for any corrections to the updated roster that had been prepared.

Election of Officers 2014-2015: Keith Heck (Chairman), Tony Balmer (Vice Chairman), Stephanie Book (Secretary) were nominated, elected and accepted these leadership positions.

Update on Senior Clergy Residence: Father checked with Brandon Koetter to see if all the legal work has been done and it has not been completed. Brandon said that, for him, it is not a priority at this time.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

Faith Formation: Reverend Richard Smith Scholarship applicant and recipient is Eli Lucas. We are still working on gathering teachers for this year's Sunday Faith Formation classes.

Catholics Youth Ministry: Father has not received any response from the bulletin appeals in our and other Deanery Parish bulletins seeking applicants for our part-time Youth Minister position. He has contacted St. Mary, Navilleton's current youth leader to see if she might be interested and she asked for some time to think about it.

Liturgical and Spiritual: No meeting held this Month and so no report at this time.

Maintenance: Father attended the asbestos training meeting required by the Archdiocese. We also need to review cemetery policies this year --- and every three years thereafter.

Financial Report: The balance in the general account is \$68,225.48 and the balance in the festival account is \$79,943.05.

The Finance Council did not meet in June due to a lack of discussion material. They will however need to meet in July to close the books on fiscal year 2013-2014 and issue a report to the parishioners as well as prepare the annual report for the Archdiocese which is due by September 15th.

Merle reported that we currently have 18 parishioners signed up for E-tithing. This number has remained static for some time now. He suggested that a note be put in the bulletin periodically reminding parishioners that this service is available.

The status of the new Stewardship Commission recently formed and chaired by Lisa Heck was discussed regarding whether this Commission should be treated similar to the Liturgy, the Finance, the Religious Ed, and the Youth Ministry commissions (i.e. as Ex-Officio membership on the Parish Pastoral Council). This would require a change to the constitution. Tony Balmer made a motion to amend the constitution to make the Stewardship Committee Ex-Officio. The motion carried. Fr. Day suggested that Lisa probably should attend the Parish Council meetings regardless of the status of the Stewardship Committee.

The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2014 and all are invited to attend.

Communication:

NEXT MEETING: August 12th at 7:00pm

Father led us in our closing prayers.