



SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Minutes

July 14, 2015

**Welcome:** Father and Keith welcomed all.

**Opening Prayer:** Opening Prayer – “A Summer Blessing”

**Roll Call:** Present: Fr. Day, Stephanie Book, Keith Heck, Lisa Heck, Larry Buechler, Merle Kruer, Patrick Oster, Mike Cundiff, Tracy Martin, Rita Smith, Tony Balmer, Connie Missi, Sharon Schmidt, Ryan Kruer and Marlin Andres

**Guests:** Timothy DeCrane – Seminarian

**Absent:** None

**Excused:** Cathy Graninger, Bette Buechler, Betty Roll, and Vicki Waterbury

Tony made a motion to accept the minutes from our prior meeting as presented. Merle seconded. All approved.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSIONS**

**Completion/Accuracy of Roster Information for Web Page**

Father asked for everyone to review the roster and if there were any changes please let him know.

**Election of Officers for 2015-2016**

Nominees for the following positions:

Chairmen: Ryan Kruer

Vice Chair: Marlin Andres

Secretary: Stephanie Book

Nominations were made and the nominees accepted. Nominations were closed and all present approved the slate of officers for the coming year.

**Update on Property Transfer**

Nothing more to report at this time; it is still in the hand of the Archdiocesan Legal Team in Indianapolis.

**COMMISSION REPORTS:**

**Catholic Faith Formation:**

Faith Formation: Congratulations to our two recipients of the Reverend Richard M. Smith Memorial Scholarship. Samuel Kruer is our freshman at Providence Senior High, and his brother Allen Kruer is our incoming 7th Grader at Providence Junior High..

## **Catholic Youth Ministry:**

We had a good start to summer and now we are almost ready for school to start again!

There were 9 youth from Starlight participating in Summer Daze. We worked with youth from St. Mary's Navilleton and St. Mary of the Knobs and on the final Tuesday had 44 youth participating. We cleaned St. Mary of the Knobs School, St. John's Starlight gym, and placed mulch at St. Mary's Navilleton. The last Tuesday the middle school youth worked extra hard at Guerin Woods nursing home in Georgetown picking up branches, cleaned creek areas, cleaned windows, and pulled weeds from their garden and flower areas. Social activities were roller skating, bowling, and a day at Atlantis Water Park. The kids had a great time working with other youth in the local parishes!

We have had some high school youth active also attending Faith in Action (Emily Koetter), One Bread One Cup (Grace Missi, Olivia Lucas, Nicole Kruer, and Brandon Lacy) and Wolfe Pack Mission Trip (Olivia Lucas).

I have sent in the necessary forms for 6 youth to attend NCYC this November. Youth attending will be Olivia Lucas, Grace Missi, Brandon Lacy, Nicole Kruer, Emily and Molly Koetter. Deadline to register is August 1, so I am still accepting any late high school participants if there are any interested. The cost of the trip is around \$500 total. Youth have put in a deposit of \$100 so far. We will need to discuss how much assistance the parish is giving youth to help cover the remaining expenses. The final cost of the trip isn't certain yet, because there will be a bus expense the deanery hasn't set yet. We will need to make the final payment in September, so we can discuss this in August.

Also, I will be out of the office for a few weeks due to a minor surgery the first week of August. I picked this time because it is usually a slower time in Youth Ministry and fits well in my family's schedule. I will work from home setting up a confirmation schedule and fall calendar for our Youth Ministry program. If anything is needed, please feel free to contact me.

## **Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry:**

No meeting in July. We have added a two new Eucharistic Ministers to our list: Vicky Andres and Jeanne Schmidt. We have ordered 2016 Lector Workbooks for all of our current Lectors.

## **Maintenance of Buildings & Grounds:**

The lights are not up in the gym because they were two short when they received the order so they have ordered the two they need. These will be installed when all the lights have come in. When they do come to install them, they are also going to replace the lights in church. Father said the light in the light pole on the east side needs to be replaced as well.

Larry completed the asbestos training at St. Augustine Catholic Church.

LP tank was switched out in June and everything was done according to the contract. There are new regulators on each building and there is a monitor on the tank behind church so we will not run out. They filled the tanks up for \$0.79/gallon. We received a copy from Silgas of the contract we had with them. It requires us to give them 30 days written notice to pick up their tanks. It states that there will be no refund on the gas that is still in the tanks.

Father Day reported that he considered the old Playground Equipment to be dangerous and an unnecessary liability. The monkey bars are rusted and they either need to be fixed or removed.

Father Day reported on the Status of AC in Cafeteria Storage Room. The unit is up in the ceiling and the compressor is on the roof and it is leaking Freon gas. It is Father's opinion that we no longer need this AC unit operating. He said we are going to leave it turned off and not repair it.

Father Day reported that the church doors are being refinished, and hopefully have them back before this coming weekend. At this time the old front doors are on there and we cannot open and close them easily.

**Financial Report:**

The balance in the general account is approximately \$88,947.32 and the balance in the festival account is \$86,383.57.

The Finance Council did not meet in June as there were no pressing issues. We are currently in the process of preparing the annual report for fiscal year 2014-2015 which is due in to the Archdiocese by September 15th.

The next Finance Council meeting is set for July 28, 2015. All were invited to attend.

**Stewardship Commission:**

*Pictorial Directory Update:* All should be getting their reminders. 122 families are scheduled and some have asked if they can submit a photo after we have the pictures taken and we are working on getting any individuals who are in nursing homes. We would like to have a Parish Council photo and that is the only group photo we will have (with the members names below), so we need to schedule that for the next meeting.

**What needs to be communicated?**

**Communications:**

*Bulletin:* Put something in the bulletin about the Summer Days event thanking the kids for their work over at the Parish Hall.

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, August 11th, 2015

Father led us in our closing prayers.