

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Minutes

July 11, 2017

Welcome: Bette, chairperson, welcomed all.

Welcome to our newest members: Mary Temple, David Miller, and Denise Corley.

Thanks to members completing terms: Bette Buechler, Betty Roll, and Mike Cundiff.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in prayer, *"Catholic Charities Prayer"*

Roll Call: Father Day, Bette Buechler, Rita Smith, Larry Buechler, Merle Kruer, Lisa Heck, Tracy Martin, Brad Denman, Vicki Waterbury, Patrick Oster, Mary Temple, Denise Corley, David Miller, Betty Roll

Also in attendance were: Austin Lacy, Maddie Martin, and Sam Kruer

Excused: Mike Cundiff, Sharon Schmidt, Leslie Smith, Cathy Graninger, Darlene McCoy

Approval of Minutes: Merle made a motion to approve minutes. Lisa seconded. All in favor.

*Annual Incorporation Meeting of St. John the Baptist, Starlight (enclosed, everyone has copy)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Completion/Accuracy of Roster Information for Web Page

Corrections were made on new roster. Everyone will receive an updated copy at next meeting.

Election of Officers for 2017-2018

Merle nominated Brad Denman for Chairperson. Brad accepted. All in favor.

Mary nominated Rita Smith for Vice-Chairperson. Rita accepted. All in favor.

Merle nominated Mary Temple for Secretary. Mary accepted. All in favor.

Update on 39th Annual Strawberry Festival

Everyone received 2 copies of festival reports. Net income for 2017 was \$65,677.49.

Bette will plan post festival meeting for near future.

Feedback on July 4th Parade and Thank You Gathering

Everyone agreed it was a great day, with a good turnout. Merle suggested starting an hour earlier. Lisa made motion to gather at 11:30 and start the parade at 12 noon. Merle seconded. All in favor.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Catholic Faith Formation Ministry

Sharon's report:

Allen Kruer is our 2017 Rev. Richard M. Smith Scholarship recipient. It will be in this week's bulletin. Vacation Bible School is at Navilleton this week.

Catholic Youth Ministry

Vicki's report:

Vicki went in June on Wolfe Pack with high school. We sent three kids. They worked three days in Appalachia, Kentucky. Started with prayer each day and had to find where they saw God throughout the day.

Summer Daze ended today at the Mount. Leslie, Joseph, and Kathleen Smith, Cruz and Isabela Martin, and Jacob Titus and his family all helped.

One Bread One Cup – Sam Kruer, Maddie Martin, and Austin Lacy thanked the parish for sponsoring them to attend OBOC. They each spoke a little on what they did. Vicki also thanked the parish for sponsoring. Bette thanked them for going and said it was for the betterment of our parish.

Vicki is also getting a core group of youth together to set up for funeral dinners when available.

Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry

Cathy's report: No report.

Buildings and Grounds Ministry

Larry's report:

Drapes for School Building Update Report – Bette reported she got no response from the parish from the bulletin request about new drapes. She's getting estimates to replace everything. She'll have more info next month.

Storage Building committee Update Report – About six guys from group met about the new storage building. It is still in the talking/planning stage.

Larry also reported that at the end of June, he went to St. Augustine for the Asbestos, Mold, and Lead Training. He is our certified parishioner. Our school does have some asbestos. Koetter Woodworking has the side door of church. They are putting three new coats of finish on it, and it will be returned by this weekend.

Finance Council

Merle's report:

The balance in the general account is approximately \$60,469.25 and the balance in the gaming account is approximately \$16,010.62.

The Finance Council met on June 27th and the following items were in the agenda:

Discussed the accounting for the outreach ministry funds which will be kept in our general account rather than in our ADLF account. We drew back from our ADLF \$6,230 of outreach monies that we had on deposit. These will be retained in our general account until needed.

Voted to transfer \$75,000 from our general account into the ADLF account since we have excess funds on hand. After this deposit and the withdrawal of the \$6,230 outreach monies, we have \$684,012.72 on deposit in our ADLF account. These funds are available any time that we may need them. However, there is still a moratorium on new projects until Connected in the Spirit is completed.

Reviewed and approved the latest Mass Stipend bank reconciliation. As of June 2nd, the balance in the account was \$3,670.

Fr. Day reported that the replacement of the air conditioner in the parish hall was completed at a cost of \$2,800.

Shared with the group the recent insurance schedule received from Archy which reflected a total replacement cost for all buildings, etc. of \$4,692,000. Premiums are based on a cost of \$3.80/000 of replacement cost. Therefore, the billing for the new fiscal year should be approx. \$1,485 per month. Last year's billing was \$1,530. The decrease is mainly a result of dropping the insurance on the storage building containing the festival booths, etc. We do not own this building.

Damon provided a report of the results of the Strawberry Festival. The same report was shared w/ the parishioners at the festival workers' party. All thought it was another good year.

The group discussed what action to take relative to some old outstanding checks in the general account. A letter was sent to the payee of these checks urging the cashing or depositing of the checks, or if they are lost to let us know and we will re-issue a new check.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 6:30 pm and all invited to attend.

Stewardship Commission

Lisa's report: No report. No meetings until August.

What needs to be communicated?

Strawberry Festival report going in the bulletin.

The new PPC officers will be updated in the bulletin.

Questions, Comments, Concerns

Father is our Administrator, and Dottie is our Business Manager.

Next Executive meeting is August 1, 2017, at 6 pm.

Next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, August 8, 2017, at 7 p.m.

Father led us in closing prayers, "Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory Be; and St. John the Baptist, Pray for Us!"