

St. John the Evangelist Parish Pastoral Council Minutes for November 11, 2013

Quorum-two-thirds of the Parish Council were present

Members Present

Bill Stoken-Finance Susanna Tomlinson- President and Samaritan Mark Krepich- Liturgy Dorothy Yingling- Discipleship Vanessa Donoughe- Religious Education Ann Brown- Youth Group Jerry Rentz- Haiti Paul Dennis- Social

Msgr. Mike Becker Deacon Gene

Members Absent

Debbie Ergler- Secretary and School Ed Ergler- Maintenance Karen Monghemer- Finance Dave Andrews- Family Life Tabatha Griffin

Susanna opened the meeting with prayer.

Susanna and Lindsay prepared new Directories for 2013-2014 year and pass them out. Council reviewed and changes were noted and will be corrected by our next meeting.

Motion to approve minutes as sent by Jerry and 2nd by Mark

Appointment of new members: Dave Andrews regretfully has to resign due to work commitment. Council members returned to the two names that were nominated by parish. Heather Yosolsky was chosen and agreed to join parish council in January. Heather will work with Family Life Committee

Old Business:

Msgr. gave an update from Our Sunday Visitor's program: Grateful Giving, Joyful Living

- Offatory commitment has increased.
- Robo calls have helped give parishioners new information
- Jo Ann Semko did a wonderful job as the first witness talk. Steven Ministry will be asked to share and then perhaps a family.

Renaming the Day Chapel to Pope John XXIII Chapel will take place in spring of 2014.

Subject: Allan Capriotti paintings, *The Gospel of St John*, for the church and compensation for his supplies. Msgr made a suggestion to offer parishioners the ability to donate a stipend to have each work in honor or memory of a loved one. Susanna will meet with Allan after the holidays.

New Business: Jane Adams has given a year notice of resignation and Mary Petrak has shown interest in the position. Msgr and Susanna will follow up with an interview.

New maintenance person Ken Dunmire was hired for the school and church.

Msgr has asked Parish Council to discuss two new projects for 2014.

- Stained glass windows in the church. Parishioners may donate the windows to a loved one to assist with the cost.
- Moving the Tabernacle to the front of the church and making the Reservation Chapel a new space for the confessional. The current confessional room would then become a closet. Monsignor will contact the Dioceses for permission and what the process would be for these projects. Council member agreed to allow Msgr to follow up with the Dioceses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education- Religious Ed – Vanessa reported Deacon Gene will talk with Religious Ed students regarding the ministry of Alter Servers. Confirmation class retreat may have to be cancelled due to lack of interest. the differences in Religious Education this year and how St John's will work to unify CCD guidelines across the diocese.

School- Tabatha reported enrollment at 116.

Family Life - No report

Finance – Msgr. shared Bill Hess Accounting Firm completed a second audit and found chart of accounts needs a major updating. No evidence of mis-management of funds. Msgr will discuss this further with the Finance Committee.

Haiti – Jerry shared the soup sale at the fall festival made \$2376. If we want to continue to send \$5000, the committee will look for additional ways to raise funds. The committee is looking for new members. The next project is clean water filtration system.

Liturgy –New hymnals for 2014 will all be in large print. The parish will do a 40 hours next year also. We have 4 candidates for RCIA.

Maintenance – Ed will look into what we need to have the front doors of the church refinished. Dave Auerback has offered to assist with a new fence around the air conditioning unit located on the left side of the church.

Social - No report

Discipleship- Patsy is calling all RCIA members from the last 20 years to check on their status. Dorothy shared a report given by Patsy.

Youth Group- No report.

Samaritan- Susanna reported: St John's Charity Fund

Love Feast in October served 120 people. Next 2014 feast will be April 26, 2014.

Food collections from November and December will be used for the Angel Tree project.

Saint John's Angel Tree date for 2013 are set: the Angel Tree will go up on November 17 for those who want to shop on Black Friday. December 13th will be our delivery day. This will give us 10 days to prepare the church for the Christmas.

Treasurer's Report:

October Second Sunday Collection \$ 616.00 Expense were \$ 939.30 Total in checking and saving account is: \$2,296.24

The next Parish Council meeting will be after the holidays January 13th, 7:00pm in the Church Gathering space. If you can't make it please call the office.