

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

June 13, 2016

Present: Rev. Peter Worn, Julie Brissette, John Ferguson, Karen Hopkins, David Kaminski, Nancy Light, William Mathewson, Dennis McGough, Lorraine Pigula, Susan Ross, Grainger Sasso, Heidi Stemkoski, John Sullivan, Al Thompson, Robert Vertucci

Excused: Carmella Dalton, Hannah Humphrey

Guests: Mike Filipski, Jamie Klaben, Charlene Hart, Griffin Sasso, Micayla MacDougall

At 6:33 pm, Dennis McGough called the meeting to order and welcomed new Council members present.

Opening Prayer: Julie Brissette

Approve Parish Council minutes

The May 9, 2016 minutes were reviewed electronically, revisions were suggested and made and the final minutes were submitted for posting on the parish website.

Motion: Rob Vertucci/Susan Ross – unanimous approval.

Parish Committee Reports

Buildings & Grounds – John Ferguson

- Committee meeting held approximately one week ago
- The committee has 12-15 projects to review and prioritize
- Total of \$86,000 in an account; will need to deduct \$11,000 in masonry work underway
- Parish Center roof – needs to be reroofed over the summer; approximate cost \$100,000; estimates will be revisited, sent to the Finance Committee for approval, and on to Ed King at the diocese for his approval; project is expected to be completed in fall 2016
- Other projects need to be completed in the near future depending on funds available, including replacement of the Church carpet: approximate cost is \$20,000

Old Business

Follow up on parish volunteerism discussion

- Volunteer ministries handbook – Father Peter has a sample from St. Augustine's parish in Baldwinsville
- St. Joseph's will develop something similar
- Discussion of the most effective means of engaging parishioners:
 - Personal invitation (most effective)
 - Social media
 - Bulletin announcements

Identify a second PCA parish representative

- PCA meets sporadically – no set schedule
- Send previous meeting notes to Council to provide insight into what is discussed
- Dennis encouraged Council members to consider serving as the liaison
- Heidi Stemkoski agreed to serve in this role

New Business

Approve 2016-17 meeting calendar

Motion: John Sullivan/Susan Ross – unanimous approval

Share Parishioner Feedback

- Reflective liturgies are very well received
- Lorraine Pigula: in past 2 months, had conversations confirming that our Pastor is an incredible asset to our parish – personal compassionate leader that permeates the parish community
- Rob Vertucci: after 11am Mass the general mood among parishioners was very uplifting and hopeful
- Al Thompson: combined Saturday morning men's group has proved to be a phenomenal experience; meet at Holy Family

Pastor's Comments

Summer Mass schedule

Effective July 3 through Labor Day weekend:

-Saturday, 4:30 pm

-Sunday, 8am and 10am

Hope Appeal update

- Moving forward positively
- Close to 70% of our goal

New Religious Ed Director

- New 2016-17 calendar that includes a monthly grade level liturgy
- Most classes on Sunday morning between Masses in addition to Tuesday night each week

Operational Budget/Finance meeting

- Income is down approximately \$30,000
- Will balance the FY 2015-16 budget
- In 2016-17: will need to consider budget cuts in order to balance the budget

Thank you to outgoing Council members

- Thank you to outgoing members for their dedication to Parish Council and our parish
- Looking forward to working with new Parish Council members

Prayer Leader

September 2016 meeting: Al Thompson

Closing Prayer: Julie Brissette

At 7:20 p.m., the Parish Council meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by,

Karen A. Hopkins

Secretary, Parish Council

NEXT MEETING: September 19, 2016; 6:30 pm

