



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 21, 2014

Members in Attendance: Father Peter Joyce, Carol Ann Allen, Craig Jurasinski, Peg Kroger, Jacquie Olansen, Annette Sherby, Bill Zipparo

Opening Prayer: Jacquie Olansen

Pastoral Council Leader: Bill Zipparo

Approval of Minutes: Carol Ann made a motion to accept the minutes of July 10, 2014. It was seconded by Peg Kroger and passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Parish Center/Pavilion: Materials are in place and work is expected to start on Friday, August 22, 2014 with completion within 48 hours, weather permitting. The floor will be completed after the pavilion is raised. The driveway has been cut to provide access for water and electricity from the Rectory to the pavilion. There was discussion as to whether there should be a "speed hump" where the power is being transferred. Father Pete will discuss this further with the construction crew.

Capital Improvements:

Carpeting at St. Casimir: The carpet has been selected and will be placed in the Church at a time that is convenient for both the installer and those assisting with the moving of the pews. The carpet cost is \$3000 and labor for installation is \$1000.

Flag Poles: Jacob Williams has completed the Eagle Scout Project. There will be a ceremony after the 11:00 Mass on August 24 with the VFW and American Legion participating.

Gathering area: The schedule for the improvements to begin is mid-September.

Gift cards/Use of credit cards: The telephones for using credit cards have arrived. Jacquie will set them up and have the "Square" activated. A mid-September start date is anticipated. The inventory of gift cards has been reduced, thus we are showing more of a profit.

Parish Feast/Raffle: The Feast Day was well received. Father Pete provided us with a detailed report of the breakdown of income and expenses. The net profit to the Parish was \$24,161.46 and each winner received \$6,752.60. Some suggestions for improvement included stapling of the raffle tickets on the left so as to not interfere with the numbers, and the possibility of only names and phone numbers on the tickets. There, also,

was much discussion regarding the "scrunching" of the tickets. It was also suggested that Mass be celebrated with parishioners facing the water and Father walking among the people.

Fund Raising: Many ideas were suggested for the possibility of another fund raiser for the Parish. One consistent point was that it be a "bringing of people together while making some money for the Parish". Included in the suggestions were a casino night, a week-long carnival, a beef and beer, and a pig roast. It was decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting.

Parish Social Events: It was decided that the Parish Council would host the 1st Hospitality at the new pavilion. This would take place after the 9:30 Mass one weekend in September. The Knights of Columbus have been invited to host the October event. It was suggested that the third Sunday of the month be avoided, if possible, as that is the breakfast at St. Casimir.

New Business:

Granite sign at COTR: It was requested that this area be made more visible to those coming to the Church and/or those passing by. Father Pete will check to make sure the lighting is working properly.

Sound system at St. Casimir: The gooseneck on the microphone needs to be replaced. Jim has fixed the sound in the Crying Room and the Choir area is all new.

Pastoral Council Transition: Carol Ann Allen was the individual to "draw the straw" to be removed from the Council. However, she may apply in September through the discernment process as well as any member of the Parish. Father Pete will be selecting one youth to replace the two who graduated high school. Thus, there will be the need for two additional members.

Final thoughts: Another good meeting, have enjoyed being on council, would like to return, looking forward to another good year. Father Pete stated that Chris Alexander was the winner of the most raffle packets sold, Jacquie Olansen was second, and Jim Flukey third.

Action Items:

Father Pete and Marge DeFoney - Small Christian communities

Jacquie - Credit cards for gift cards

All - Pastoral Council discernment

All - 1st Hospitality in new pavilion

Father Pete - lights by Granite sign

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 7:00p.m. in the Church extension.

Opening Prayer: Peg Kroger

Refreshments: Father Pete