

St. Pius X Parish Council Minutes
February 05, 2007

Members present: Bryan Blumeier, Jennifer Bradford, Terry Crawley, Sue Dunne, Darlene Early, Joan Echsner, Ashley Kareken, John Kissel, Patsy Meyer, Patti Vance, Father Chuck Walker, Patrick White, Sr. Mary Elaine Zehnder and guest Bob Zimlich.

Members not in attendance: Anne Bickel, Kathy DeLozier, JoDee Jackson, Wilfred Luescher and Byron Theodore.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. and began with an opening prayer by Reverend Chuck Walker.

The Chair appointed Joan Echsner, Acting Secretary.

The minutes of the December 4, 2006 meeting were approved. There was not a parish council meeting in January, 2007.

FINANCE REPORT

Bob Zimlich presented the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30. He reported that Sunday collections, Mass stipends and investments were all up and that the projects we should be approximately \$160,000 better than budget. He also advised that we have deferred several capital expense projects for which this money will be spent. Among these are: Gutter Guards for the Rectory, Community Center and the Sarto House, 25 new windows in the Rectory, new roof on the school building and AC/Heating in the Community Center. A discussion followed regarding roof replacement for the Booster Building. The result was that a Booster Task Force be established chaired by Bryan Blumeier to look into their finances. It was suggested that John Bruning, Tom Collins, Tom Wargel and a representative from the boosters serve on this committee. Bob Zimlich will prepare a summary of expenses to be inserted into the bulletin and for use in future town meetings.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Father Church reported that we still do not have a Stewardship Chair.

JOHN PAUL II ACADEMY UPDATE

Patrick reported that Mary Alice Zettel who had retired from Holy Trinity will be the interim principal from January through June. The Board is in the process of hiring a permanent principal. There are several candidates.

A parent survey was conducted in January and the #1 strength of the school was the faculty. The Board is addressing parent concerns.

March 15 is the deadline for registration.

PARISH PLANNING UPDATE

Fr. Chuck stated that he met with Fr. Jenkins and Fr. Springman and they agreed to wait until a new parish priest is assigned to St. Pius to go forward with parish planning. John Kastenschmidt wants to be on the Long range and Parish Planning Committees.

LONG TERM PLANNING COMMITTEE

Father Chuck suggested that we form a committee now and advised that we can receive valuable assistance from Sharan Benton from the Archdiocese. Patrick will invite her to attend our next meeting on March 05, 2007. Patti Vance will provide parish member demographics to assist this committee.

PARISH LIFE

Patsy Meyer reported that Scout Sunday was February 04. She stated that the pictorial directory is at the printers and we should receive proofs in 1-2 weeks. She also said that the printer will provide us with 2000 postcards or 1000 brochures at no cost. The council voted to request the postcards and make them available for parish group's use.

She reported that we still have a surplus of 50th Anniversary T-Shirts and it was suggested that these be given to the group to take with them to Guatemala.

We also have five afghans and it was suggested that these be raffled at a Friday Fish Fry. Patsy stated that her committee is working on an "appreciation party" for Fr. Chuck and asked him for preferred dates. He opted for Sat 5/12 or Sunday 5/20 or 5/27. Patsy will check on availability of Community Center and advise of the selected date.

WORSHIP

No report.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Sue Dunne reported on upcoming events. Father Chuck will be in the capital February 13. Operation Rice Bowl will start again during lent. Meals on Wheels (SEAM) needs drivers. March 10 and 11 are scheduled for a baby shower for the archdiocesan Mother-child program. A coffee house on Feb. 11 from 6-10PM in the cafeteria, a Flapjack breakfast at Appleby's on March 10 and a Cornhole Tournament on March 31 are all being planned benefiting the 2007 Guatemala Mission Trip. A World Day of Prayer service will be held at Ascension on March 2 at 10:30AM. The next Nehemiah Assembly will be held March 19 at 4th Avenue United Methodist Church. Sue also reported on the Neighborhood meeting held at St. Michaels Eastern Orthodox Church. Since this was such a large crowd, the council thought it might be a good idea for St. Pius to host a smaller group of neighborhood associations for a meeting with Chief White. Sue will contact Ellen Call's office regarding this possibility. Full Report attached.

FORMATION

Terry Crawley presented Committee Reports for January & February (see attached).

ADMINISTRATION

Jo Dee submitted her report via E-mail (See attached). Patrick advised that John Paul II Market Day will stay in the cafeteria.

FATHER CHUCK ANNOUNCEMENTS

Effective July 1 Vickie Chism will be the Youth Ministry Coordinator for both St. Pius and St. Barnabas, will report to both pastors and be a member of both parish staffs. Fr. Chuck, Fr. Wayne Jenkins, Dave Harris and Vickie are working on a job description.

Fr. Chuck reminded everyone that there were still 3 opportunities to attend a mass honoring the 25th Anniversary of Archbishop Kelly and encouraged all to attend one. The dates are: February 6th, 7PM @ Christ the King, February 15th, 7PM @ Holy Spirit February 18 @ 12 Noon at the Cathedral.

Fr. Chuck advised that in 2008, we will celebrate 200 years of being a diocese. There is only one older in the United States (Baltimore). We, along with Boston, New York and Philadelphia were all made a diocese in 1808.

On Saturday, March 24 at the Executive West from 9:00AM to 3:30PM, every parish council member is invited to attend "Leadership and Ministry in a Changing Church" presented by J. Glen Murray, SJ. The registration fee of \$15.00 will be paid by St. Pius but you must let Fr. Chuck know by March if you want to attend.

Fr. Chuck advised of a money raiser for SEAM by using Good Search sponsored by Yahoo. The details will be explained in the Sunday bulletin.

Fr. Chuck announced that we have a competition with St. Albert the Great for the St. Baldrick's event on March 16. The most people to have their head shaved or who give 10" or more of hair for Locks of Love will win the competition. The losing pastor must have dinner for organizers of both parishes. The kids will be getting their heads shaved during school hours and the adults at the fish fry on March 16.

Patrick announced that the archdiocese has sent a follow up to the audit report.

Patrick also said that we have been requested to place a Pictorial Roster of Parish Council Members in the back of church as has been done previously. If you have a digital picture you would like him to use, you are requested to forward one to him.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan M. Echsner, Acting Secretary