

# Parish Council Minutes

## August 19, 2010

Members present: Holly Nicholson, Pat Mercaitis, Jim McGrath, Steve Schwager, Father Weighner, Patrick Nolan, and Mark Grunwald.

Missing: Keith Neisius, Mark Forsythe, Kerri Weber

Opened with prayer and roll call.

\*Technology Update: Joe Rusky of Dependable Solutions and assistant presented what was done with the computer system at the schools. The total project upgrade was below the \$35k estimate. Staff and students have machines that are all six years or newer. All middle school computers are equipped with Microsoft Office 2010. Dependable Solutions supports Prairie du Chien public and River Ridge school district computers. The Prairie Catholic staff will be able to do attendance and grades from their classrooms. Would eventually like to get a laser printer at each school.

Minutes were read and approved.

\*Sound System Update: The goal was met and the systems will be installed as originally quoted. This will take place in September.

\*Building/Strategic Plan Update: A committee has been formed and will start meeting in the fall.

\*New Members: Still looking for three members.

\*New Principal: Wade Marlow was hired. More information to follow.

\*Youth Program: Totus Tuus went well. Will look to have it a different week next year. NET TEAM will be held for grades 8-12 in November.

### **\*\*\*NEW BUSINESS**

\*Finance/Budget Update: St. John's down \$5,900 St. Gabe's down \$9,300  
-net income down \$20k at each parish  
-budget is still in the works to be put into the Bishop's Report.

\*Maintenance Needs at Churches: Building Plan Committee will discuss and follow up.

\*Education Committee: -Technology- discussed  
-Principal- discussed  
-Enrollment- approximately the same (about 200)

\*Family Life Committee: -Pilgrimage to Guadalupe Shrine in September.  
-Trying to set up a marriage retreat in November.  
-Bible Study- Using Ignatius Study Bible...start in September.  
-RCIA – will start meeting Aug 22, 2010.

\*Parish Council Retreat- Tabled

Closed with prayer. Next meeting September 16, 2010.  
Submitted by Holly Nicholson