

Parish Council Minutes

February 21, 2013

Present: Mark Grunwald, Holly Nicholson, Keith Neisius, Terry Meyer, Jim McGrath, Fr. Weighner, Mary Novey, Debbie Morovits, Charlie Connell, Patrick Nolan, Katie Fox

Missing: Kerri Weber, Mark Forsythe

Opened with prayer and roll call.

OLD BUSINESS

*Bldg. Committee Update: Two engineers came to a meeting February 20 and gave a preliminary presentation. A decision needs to be made about what the wants and needs are for the parish. The engineers will then come up with more specific options and we can give a presentation to the parish. One or two additional companies will give presentations as well.

*Technology Upgrades for School Bldgs.: Two Smart Boards are installed and operating (one at each school). Middle school teachers are experimenting with Chrome Books and how to integrate them with the Smart Boards. It is being decided how to best utilize the \$45k in the Technology Fund.

*Car Raffle: All tickets sold. \$15k will be held in a fund for the purchase of a vehicle to raffle next year. The parish cleared approximately \$35k.

NEW BUSINESS

*Finance Council Update: Weekly giving is holding steady. \$13k has come in from the Annual Appeal so far.

*Education Committee Update: 1st Reconciliation was held for both CCD and Prairie Catholic students. First Communion will be held May 5, 2013 and the retreat will be April 20.

-The school schedule is and will be adjusted for the many snow days we have experienced this winter. Prairie Catholic School Families will be updated through the weekly envelope and Skyward. There is a likelihood that the school year will be extended past Memorial Day.

Family Life Committee Update: Anny Meyer came up with a packet and CD to dedicate our homes to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

-Angels for families of deceased parishioners will be distributed.

-There are no "prayer partners" this year. Confirmation for this year's 8th graders will be when they are sophomores.

-A "Welcome" breakfast will be held April 14 (possibly) from 7-10am. The Men's Group will be helping with this. It will be a "free-will" offering.

OTHER ISSUES

*Some parishioners have asked when "volunteer sign-up sheets" will be tabulated. We hope to have new lists out by Easter.

*Easter Mass: Holy Thursday- @ St. Gabriel's 7:00pm
Good Friday- @ St. John's 1:30pm
Easter Vigil- @ St. John's
Easter Sunday- MAY be at 9am & 11am

Closed with prayer.

Next meeting March 21, 2013

Submitted by Holly Nicholson