

St. Joseph Parish Council Meeting Minutes July 5, 2018

Members Present:

Fr. Austin Okoli, Deacon Ron Deimeke, Dana Robnett, Dale Wilburn, Kelly Kuda, Clarence Deimeke, Dustin Bohr, Pat Arens, Brenda Hale and Stephanie Wilburn.

Meeting Called To Order:

Parish Council President, Dana Robnett, called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer:

Father began with a prayer and special intentions were shared.

Welcome:

The Parish Council welcomed Father Austin. Introduction of members took place.

Approval of the March 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes:

Secretary's minutes were reviewed. The minutes were approved.

Election of Officer and Commissions:

President, Kelly Kuda

Vice President, Dustin Bohr

Secretary, Stephanie Wilburn

Administration/Maintenance: Clarence Deimeke and Dustin Bohr

Worship/Spiritual: Pat Arens, Dale Wilburn, and Deacon Ron Deimeke

Social Concerns: Stephanie Wilburn and Kelly Kuda

Christian Education: Kelly Kuda

*Notes: it was mentioned that perhaps Finance Council should oversee Administration/Maintenance commission. Father stated he would discuss this with the Finance Council at their meeting. Father asked Parish Council members when the last time was that we had a council orientation presentation given by the Diocese. No one could recall. Father stated that he would reach out to the Diocese to set up an orientation. Tentative dates were given as suggestions.

Financial Report:

*Air conditioning cost was discussed. Anyone has access to thermostat and can adjust up or down. The air conditioning has also been on more often due to paint repairs going on in the Church. Putting a lock on the thermostat was discussed.

*Donations in front of the candles at the front of Church seem to be down. It was requested that a reminder in the bulletin on suggested donations would be helpful.

*Ordinary time banners are on order for front of Church.

Pastor's Report:

*Father Austin would be meeting with the school principal, Michelle Hombs, on July 6th.

*Father Austin would follow up with Father Joseph on the application for a safety grant to see if it had been submitted to the Diocese.

*Our Church had approximately 196 people in attendance on Sunday, July 1st.

*Weekday masses, adoration times will be addressed in the coming weeks after input from school principal, other councils, and Church members. Father stated that he might be spending Thursday nights in Martinsburg.

Parish Discussions:

*There was discussion on Confirmation. In the past St. Joseph has hosted confirmation every other year for its candidates. Members of our council thought Immaculate Conception liked to have confirmation each year.

*The Church breakfast had approximately 150 people in attendance. There was approximately \$877 in profit.

*The Lending Library is still a work in progress. A request for book shelf donation would be inserted in the bulletin.

*After Mass on July 29th the Parish Council will sponsor a "Welcome to Father Austin," serving coffee and doughnuts. Pat Arens volunteered to pick up the doughnuts and Kelly Kuda volunteered to coordinate the juice, coffee, and napkins.

**Kelly Kuda would attend the July 18th Oktoberfest meeting.

**Church secretary, Brenda Hale, schedule will be Tuesday through Friday 8:30-4:00.

St. Joseph School:

An update was written by principal, Michelle Hombs, and read by council members.

Knights of Columbus Report:

There was no formal report given.

Capitol Improvements:

*Paul and Jerri Fennewald have volunteered to take on the flower bed behind Church.

*Rainbow painting is in process of fixing the cracked paint in front of Church. There has been no explanation from the paint company as to their thoughts as to why the paint is cracking in this area of Church.

Closing Prayer:

Father led the group with closing prayer.

The next meeting will be September 6th, 7PM at the rectory.

