

St. Joseph Parish Council Meeting Minutes November 15, 2017

Members Present:

Dana Robnett, Fr. Joseph Abah, Deacon Ron Deimeke, Kelly Kuda, Dale Wilburn, Dustin Bohr, Clarence Deimeke, and Stephanie Wilburn.

Meeting Called To Order:

Parish Council President, Dana Robnett, called the meeting to order. The agenda was emailed to all members prior to the meeting.

Opening Prayer:

Father began with prayer and special intentions were shared.

Approval of the September 7, 2017 Meeting Minutes:

The meeting minutes were reviewed. One correction was made. Minutes were approved.

Financial Report

*Cost of Catholic Missourian by the parish was discussed.

*School income less the school's expenses was discussed. Father was going to ask for clarification since it was noted that parents' contributions was up. The cost of the smart boards was discussed. Kelly stated that she and her husband, Danny Kuda, did most of the labor. Kelly was confused as to why Alsat's bill was so high.

*Clarence asked what increase the school employees had with their health insurance for this school year. Kelly commented that there was an increase, but felt that it was minimal to the employee, but was unsure how much the diocese was absorbing.

Pastor's Report:

*In honor of Mr. Struck, The School Advisory board is suggesting to have his name engraved on plates and placed on the new outdoor park benches.

*The Oktoberfest final report has not been submitted. Total gross profit was noted to be around \$38730, but not all ad bills had been turned in and a possible donation from Ameren had not been received.

Parish Discussions:

*Deacon Ron addressed congregation about PSR requirements. Sharon Welschmeyer also sent a letter out to all of the students' parents. Deacon Ron received complimentary comments from parishoners, most who did not have students in PSR, but appreciated hearing a report on what is required.

*Confirmation: The Bishop is asking parishes to combine ceremonies as he is still recuperating from heart surgery. Suggested dates are April 22nd or May 16th. It was asked if Prom conflicted. Prom was noted as being April 28th 2018.

*Parish Viability: On this day, Father and Deacon Ron attended an afternoon meeting of the Mexico Deanery. Reconfiguration of parishes was discussed. Father dispersed information given by the Deanery. Initial possible proposals were discussed. Dates were selected for joint meetings of the parish's leadership councils. Parish Council, School Advisory, and Finance Committee members will meet on November 28th and December 6th, 2017 at 7pm in School basement for further discussion.

*The date for the trip to Hannibal for the Living Nativity has been changed from December 8th to December 1st.

St Joseph School Report:

Kelly read an update from acting principal Michelle Hombs.

Knights of Columbus Report:

Tootsie Roll fundraiser: 1/2 proceeds went to Cardinal Glennon and 1/2 went to Beverly Farms

Ladies Sodality:

A date needs to get on the calendar for ice cream social fundraiser.

Capitol Improvements:

*All the original paints from our remodel were in Church basement. The paint company will be able to match and repair the front of Church's cracks. We will also have a blueprint of all colors for future reference.

*During the Deacon's Lector training, one person is asking for a handrail as they need support when walking up to lector.

Closing Prayer:

Father led the group with closing prayer.

The next meeting will be January 4, 2018 at 7PM at the rectory.

