

St. Peter Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2012

Attendees: Pat Smith, Jennifer Brady, Sue Beaty, Lynn Linnenbringer, Dennis Adrian, Mike Pezold, Danny Neudecker, Joe Zimmermann, Mike West, Deacon John Neudecker, Cindy Newman

Absent (excused): Mary Otting, Carolyn Risch, Barb Middaugh, and Fr. Frank Bussmann

Pat Smith led the group in an opening prayer. New members Dennis Adrian and Danny Neudecker were welcomed to the Council. The Minutes from the November 2011 meeting stood approved as read.

Election of Officers: The following slate of officers were presented - President= Patrick Smith, Vice President= Mike Pezold and Secretary= Jennifer Brady. Sue Beaty moved that we accept the slate of officers, Lynn Linnebringer seconded. The motion passed.

Comments from Visitors: Joe Zimmermann presented to the Council an idea regarding our Time and Talent forms. He has an updated list from the parish office. The concern lies in that the list does not seem to get to the committee chairs. Judy Zimmermann has offered to make these phone calls to the committee leaders so that they are aware of additions and subtractions from their volunteers. Discussion was held. It was recommended that a new parish directory be done. Mrs Newman also offered that a master calendar between school and parish is now being designed. Sue Beaty will make the contact for the Council and will report next month on the progress of the Time and Talent forms being utilized to their full potential.

Commission and Committee Reports: Mary Otting

1) Finance Committee - Mike West

The finances for the parish are looking very well. The total parish debt as of the end of December 2011 was \$123,544.00. Money is being set aside each month for the lay retirement and insurance premiums that are due in the summer. The Boiler repair cost actually came in less than expected because we were able to file a claim with our insurance. Mrs. Newman was given a big pat on the back for checking into the parish insurance for us. The budget process for 2012/2013 is going to begin. February 14th initial budgets are due. All committees and entities that submit a budget to the finance board are encouraged to do so as early as possible so that the final revisions are done in a timely basis.

2) Fundraisers- Home and School Association Casino Night- Feb 11 at 6:30. Rummage Sale (Mary Nurrenburn and Sue Beaty) will be held August 2,3, and 4 2012. The Knight of Columbus will be holding a Chili supper on Feb 4th. Fish Frys are scheduled during Lent. The Food Booth will be at the Fulton Street Fair again this summer. The Knights will also host a 4th of July Celebration. The Home and School

Association will host the May Fling on May 5, 2012. Paul and Angie Pezold are the chairpersons for this event.

3) Social Concerns- Barb Middaugh

Pro Life committee is doing an essay contest at four of the elementary schools in the Mexico Deanery. The topic is "Charity and Abortion". Award money is being provided by the Knights of Columbus. The parish school children collected change for the Pro Life Across America through the month of January. On Thursday Jan 19th the sixth, seventh, and eighth graders attended the March for Life in Jefferson City. The second week of January Roses for Life were collected and sent to Senator McCaskill. The month of December was dedicated to the Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Ladies Society met and Karen Mertens reported that a trip to Starkeburg is being planned for this summer. The tea party will happen again in the fall. A Bake Sale for Birthright will be held on Feb 11-12 after each Mass.

4) Buildings and Grounds- Cindy Newman

Daily Maintenance logs have been kept, copied and given to Fr Frank. As of 1/24/2012 Fr Frank will now oversee the Building and Grounds. Over the Christmas holiday break extensive cleaning and painting was done to the school and school/parish bathrooms. Future needs were discussed. A shut off valve for the kitchen gas is a must need. Mike Pezold is going to check into the process and cost of this project. Air Conditioners need covers. Old computer monitors need to be disposed of or donated. A wall needs to be painted and a shelf placed in Mrs. Thomas' preschool bathroom. Rust needs to be removed from boiler repair on the boiler room floor. The roof on the ECLC is in need of repair.

5) Religious Education- Lynn Linnenbringer

Lots of things going on for the youth of our parish. Events are posted in the back of church on the bulletin board. First Communion is scheduled for April 28th at the 11 a.m. Mass. The budget for Religious Education has been turned into the Finance Board. Two day seminars on "Strong Catholic Families" is being held in Jefferson City on Feb 9-10, 2012. The Jr Year of High School is the year the sacrament of Confirmation is done.

6) Worship and Spiritual Development- Deacon John

The chant currently being used in Mass will be used for the next year as requested by the Bishop.

7) School Report- Cindy Newman

Four new children have been enrolled since December. A Morality Class will be offered on March 3, 17, and 31st from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Catholic Schools Week is approaching and several activities have been planned. All Parish members are invited to the Open House/Chili Supper. Activities and their times were posted in the bulletin. The Diocese is requiring that all committee members, chairs, parents or parish members involved in any capacity with the school or parish children have a Child Abuse Background check done. Virtus training for those who have not received the training will also be required. Jennifer Brady will get the background check form to all Parish Council members.

Old Business- None

New Business- Patrick Smith is now an officer for the Deanery Council. Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri are concentrating their efforts. They are also going to address the growing Spanish population in our Diocese. The next Deanery Meeting is January 26, 2012.

Action Points for the next meeting: Sue Beaty will be looking at the Parish Directory and Time and Talent sheets. Pat Smith will be getting a copy of all Parish Council Bylaws and Constitution for review next month. Cindy Newman will report back on the progress of the Master Calendar and getting Virtus training at St Peter. Mike Pezold will work on getting a plan for a shut off valve for the gas in the kitchen and Jennifer Brady will get a copy of the Background Check form to all members of the Council.

The Next meeting will be held February 29, 2012 in the Parish Center meeting room. Deacon John led the group in a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Brady