ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH Pastoral Council Meeting March 22, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bishop Jim Schuerman, Troy Weis, Daryl Braun, Tom Murray, AnneMarie Janikowski, Kathleen Dobbler, Millie McCormick, Greg Desecki, and Lois Maywald. Also attending was Kathy Murray. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Troy Weis. Millie led the meeting with a Prayer for Parishes in Collaboration.

Kathleen made a motion to accept the minutes of the January meeting. Greg seconded and the minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Finance Council Joint Meeting with Cluster: Daryl will make the arrangements for this meeting.

175th **Anniversary:** Greg is trying to get in touch with the project person. It was suggested to talk with Martha Cucco about having pictures of the renovation running during the event. Kathleen said she would like to work on the centerpieces. Greg will ask if they will deduct the cost of centerpieces from our bill. When we know how much the meal will cost, we will decide whether or not we want to have a band. Tom gave Greg a list of the priests who served here over the years so we can ask people to sponsor them at the dinner. Troy and Greg will work on prices before the next meeting.

Pastor's Report: Bishop Jim said he will be here until June – probably the third weekend. There will be two new priests coming in – one pastor and one associate. The choice is up to the Priest Placement Board. He said services for Holy Thursday will be in the new church. The Priests Assembly is May 8 through 10 in Elkhart. He has a number of things that he has to do as a bishop such as confirmations, which will be taking place every day in May. Millie asked if we can get a copy of the tape of the Ordination for the church's files.

April Joint Council Meeting with Cluster: The date for this meeting has been chosen as April 24th. Millie will contact Barb of St. Benedict's to see where we will have the meeting and what time.

Discernment for 2017-2018 Pastoral Council Board: Terms are ending for Troy Weis, Chairperson, and Maureen Redmer, Council at Large. All other members of the current board said they would remain members. Troy will send an article to be put in the bulletin asking if anyone is interested in the position of Chairperson.

Fall Festival: Kathy said they are planning to have the festival on September 10th. There are no weddings planned for that weekend.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Human Concerns: Kathleen read the minutes of the March meeting. She said they provided food for 15 homeless men and workers at the Chapel on the Hill in March. Kathleen mentioned the amount in their

bank account and the donations and collections planned for the summer. They are planning a bake sale for June or July.

School Advisory: Troy mentioned the Casino Night and said they held a fund raiser for the parish. School Choice had their first meeting for potential students and three families signed up with a total of seven students. Daryl said they have decided to accept six or seven students.

Prayer and Worship: Millie said they had no meeting. She talked to Mike Deane about a campaign after Easter to explain the ministries and get more people involved. She said they should have a Ministry Open House rather than a Ministry Fair, so people can see what is all about. Troy suggested having a talk at mass about each ministry and have a table for people to learn more about it. Daryl said we should send information by e-mail rather than sending post cards.

Stewardship: There was no meeting. Millie has been going to the Stewardship classes at the Cousins Center in Milwaukee. She said a lot of information will come from that.

Finance Council: Daryl said the bank loans and credit for the 2017 project are complete. He said the end of February financials are as bad as last year. We received a donation of \$40,000 last Wednesday. Home and School is also planning to donate \$50,000. Rose Lemke and Daryl are doing the parish budget.

ROUNDTABLE:

Millie reminded the people who are going to the next meeting at the Cousins Center in April.

AnneMarie said their bible group completed the study on Mary. It was a small group. They will start a new group in September.

Lois mentioned that the Catholic Daughters did Mary's Stations of the Cross at their March meeting, followed by a salad supper. It went very well.

Kathleen said that Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday after Easter. It will be a bi-lingual service. She mentioned that they need more children to carry the roses. She would like to see families bringing them up.

Bishop Jim said the communal penance service will be April 2nd at 2:00. He said there will also be other opportunities for confession before Easter.

The closing prayer was the Hail Mary led by Troy. The meeting adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Maywald Secretary