

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH
Pastoral Council Meeting
July 19, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fr. Mark, Daryl Braun, Martha Cucco, Millie McCormick, Sandra Cruz, Kurt Kayser, AnneMarie Janikowski, Gene Bulla, Ricardo Lagunas and Lois Maywald. Also present were Greg Desecki and Will Murray. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Millie McCormick at 6:35. AnneMarie Janikowski led the opening prayer. Millie asked if there were any changes to the agenda, and mentioned a few corrections.

Motion was made by AnneMarie to accept the minutes of the June meeting. Kurt seconded and the minutes were accepted.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Mark said he heard that some people are worried that he plans to get rid of the devotions. He assured us this is not his intention.

OLD BUSINESS:

Finance Report: Daryl discussed the Finance Report. He mentioned that the big target was to finish the year with the parish in the black. This was accomplished with the help of donations in the amount of \$75,000 to \$85,000. The status of School Choice is good. Troy Weis has taken over as administrator. They will require an audit each year costing us \$10,000 to \$15,000. Sandra mentioned that most of the families registering for School Choice are Hispanic. She said she has been working with them getting their paperwork done. She also mentioned that their teacher conferences need to be bi-lingual. She suggested using bi-lingual high school students to help translate. She will work closely with Troy so she will know the answers to their questions. Millie asked Daryl how often we have had to depend on bequests to make our budget. He said the Stewardship committee will be working on this. Daryl said Building and Grounds is currently taking bids on the school balcony. They plan to have the balcony taken off and put stairs there. He said Home and School donated \$10,000 for this project. The parking lot work will be done next year. Tuitions have gone up 2%.

Committee on Frequency of 2nd Collections: Gene said he reviewed three years of 2nd collections. He passed out a summary of 2014 to June, 2017 2nd collections. He mentioned that collection "overload" was also discussed at a Council meeting in 2004 and recommendations were made, which were listed on the papers he passed out. Fr. Mark said his former parish had a committee that people had to ask if they wanted to hold a fund raiser or sell something at the church. Suggestions were made on how to publicize upcoming collections. Martha said we need to have a central person to coordinate communications through the various means we now have. Gene will have more information at a later meeting.

Anniversary Dinner: Tickets for the dinner are not selling as well as we had hoped. We have sold 157 which will not cover the minimum that we will owe to Geneva National. We must pay in full seven days prior to the dinner. Suggestions were made on how to promote the dinner. Millie said Fr. Mark and Bishop Schuerman have been asked to say a few words at the dinner. Council members were asked if

they thought the Council should have reserved seating for the Mass. Members thought it would be a nice idea. Seating will be reserved for Council members and their spouses, and also for the 2017 committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

AED/CPR Training: This was tabled to the next meeting. Millie received more information on costs and will look into it.

GOAL FOR 2017/2018: Millie asked that members think of suggestions of a goal for the 2017/2018 year.

FALL FESTIVAL: Kathie Murray asked that Council members volunteer to work at Fall Festival. There will be a Sign Up Genius sent out asking for volunteers.

Closing prayer was led by AnneMarie Janikowski.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Maywald
Secretary