

PASTORAL COUNCIL

MINUTES of MEETING

For

March 12, 2009

John Jacobs called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM. Msgr. Troncale began the meeting with a prayer. The following were in attendance:

Msgr. Charles Troncale
Wade Simpson
Larry Driscoll
Bruce Sansom
Gerry Shook
Greg Herbek
John Jacobs
Rob Barranco
Linda Anderson

Reading of the Minutes

The council reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Gerry Shook made a motion to accept the minutes. Rob Barranco provided a second. The motion was passed with no opposition.

Old Business

Msgr. Troncale provided a report concerning the expansion of the pastor's residence. He reported that the expansion had been completed by Joe Davis in the amount of \$99,513.20. This final amount was under the \$100,000.00 that the council had approved. Msgr. Troncale advised the council that Fr. McCabe was residing at Queen of Mercy due to health issues with the carpet in the pastor's residence. Fr. McCabe had requested that the carpet be removed and replaced with wood flooring. Linda Anderson volunteered to work with Jan Florey and Gene Hill to research the cost of the requested renovation. Greg Herbek made a motion that if the cost was under \$3,000.00, then this group would have authority to proceed. Bruce Sansom provided a second. The motion passed with no opposition.

April 13, 2009

Msgr. Troncale then provided an update of the efforts by Walsh & Associates concerning our fund raising campaign. He reported that John Mosher was stressing major donors during the first phase of the campaign. Greg Herbek asked if there was a specific target for the first phase. Rob Barranco advised that there was no exact amount, only a range.

Msgr. Troncale also provided a report about Phase One of the Master Site Plan. He advised the council that he and John Starr had visited several locations in the Birmingham area to view new heating and air systems. He reported that the Building Committee was considering the possibility of “going green”. Msgr. Troncale advised that the architect should be finished to the point that real prices and costs could be determined. He stated that by August a decision could be made as to the amount our parish can afford for Phase One.

John Jacobs reported that the Building Committee had not met since their last scheduled meeting. Future reports would be provided based on the Building Committee’s schedule.

Greg Herbek initiated a discussion about the pre-school program. He reminded the council that although the continuation of the program had been approved that there remained the issue of formulating specific guidelines. Several ideas were discussed by the council including an increase in the tuition, a non-refundable registration fee, and changes in the compensation for the teachers. Bruce Sansom made a motion to create a three member oversight committee for the pre-school program. The members would include Gerry Shook, Jan Florey and a parent of a child in the program. Greg Herbek provided a second. The motion passed with no opposition.

Wade Simpson reported to the council that he and Mike Stewart were continuing with the review of the Pastoral Council’s constitution and would be able to provide their findings during a future meeting.

John Jacobs reported that the recent Meager Meal co-sponsored by the Pastoral and Finance Councils was well attended and successful. He thanked the council for their participation.

New Business

John Jacobs initiated a discussion concerning this year’s Pastoral Council election to be held in the month of May. Msgr. Troncale reminded the council that it was customary for the out going members to serve as the election committee. Larry Driscoll agreed to head this committee. Wade Simpson and Greg Herbek will assist. Larry will consult with Karen Franklin regarding the timetable for the nominating and election process.

Greg Herbek announced that the Ministry Roundtable was scheduled for April 27 and 29. He asked that all Pastoral Council members try to attend.

Bruce Sansom reported that a parishioner inquired about the possibility of replacing the carpet in the entrance of the parish hall. The council discussed the possibility of replacing the carpet with tile. Bruce volunteered to obtain an estimate for this work and report to the council at a later date.

John Jacobs advised the council that a quarterly report from the Finance Council would be presented at the next Pastoral Council meeting.

With no additional business before the council Larry Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Linda Anderson provided a second. The motion was passed. A prayer was offered by Msgr. Troncale and the meeting was concluded at 8:19 PM.

The next meeting of the Pastoral Council was scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2009, in the parish hall to begin at 7:00 PM.

Wade Simpson
Recorder, Parish Council