

St. Agnes
Pastoral Council Meeting
March 14, 2011

APPROVED MINUTES

Parish Council Members Present: Fr. Francis, Guy Lafontaine, Pete Pederson, Toni Morrison, Skip Dushesneau, Greg Smith, Katie Lowe, Sandy Munson, Wendy Navratil

Prayer and Mission Statement read.

Minutes approved without corrections from February 17, 2011 meeting. Motion made by Toni, second by Katie.

Fr. Francis Updates:

- Strategic Planning Reports have been sent to the Diocese following The Town Hall Meeting on March 6th.
- Pastoral Council Election voting the 4th weekend in April (April 23, 2011). We are requesting at least five candidates to be nominated and three to be elected. Candidates are asked to provide pictures and brief bio to be printed in the bulletin two to three weeks prior.
- Finance council will be electing two candidates also April 23, 2011.
- May 15th-20th Fr. Francis will be gone to study Spiritual Direction and Counseling in Chicago, the first of three sessions during this upcoming year.

New Business:

- New railing is being made leading up to the Altar. John Duff is doing the woodwork.
- Oak raised panel partitions are being made for the choir section.
- Ask Dick Strubb if he would be available to varnish.
- Angels have donated \$500.00 towards both of the above projects.
- Seder Meal scheduled Thursday, April 14th following Stations of the Cross. Meal planning committee will meet April 4th.

Committee Reports:

Board of Education:

- Diving Deeper program-have family meetings once a month. Operation Rice Bowl fundraiser, pancake breakfast fundraiser, and Lori has many positive ideas for summer activities for youth.

Faith Formation:

- Speaker, Brian Pizzalato, will be giving a talk on the Sacrament of Matrimony, March 16th.
- Confirmation scheduled for May 24th at 6:30 pm.

Finance Council:

-Meets March 23rd. Four candidates will be nominated for the election of which two will be appointed the positions with a one year mentorship.

-Finance council has tentatively approved sponsoring Lori to attend World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain as an incentive and in agreement with the terms of her hiring. All Pastoral Councils members present agreed unanimously. Approximate cost \$3700.00

Auction Committee:

-Adam Arnold provided us with an update and proposed mission for the Auction event this year scheduled for August 6th. All present agreed that proceeds from the auction go toward reducing the parish debt. Adam has also requested a greater support from Parish Council with promotion and ticket sales for the event.

-Possible future fundraisers: MN Moto Hope Mission, Sister Parish Mission in Kenya. Work with Fr. Francis to create ideas for fundraising including pictures and pamphlets to get people excited to contribute to this mission.

-Suggested donations for weddings held for non-parishioners. Proposed \$300.00 for church use + \$200.00 for use of the social hall but, not to discourage weddings from being held at the church.

Building Committee:

-Roof and Boiler repairs needed.

-Damp downstairs and water is seeping in the ramp wall. Snow needs to be cleared away from the drain tiles. Sump pump needed.

-Spring clean up, Wednesday, April 27th @ 4:00pm. Recruit Youth Group to help. Clean lights, pews and outside yard work.

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 11, 2011

Motion to adjourn made by Toni, second by Wendy.

Submitted by: Wendy Navratil

God Bless.