

Holy Cross Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

May 17, 2018

Approved

- A. Opening Prayer
- B. Roll Call – Members Present: Gerald Weber, Ann Georges, Peg Hall, Stan May, Father Tony, Father Ambrose, Deacon Joe, Joe Hopf, Bill Knapp, Greg Perkins, Jason Baehl, Debbie Neufelder, Wanda Englert, Lisa May, Carolyn Johnson, Becky Mann
Members Absent: Ann Mercer, Jeff Sellers, Amber Sexton, Faith Formation Rep, Adam Englert
- C. Approval of Minutes – Debbie Neufelder motioned to approve the minutes as submitted, Ann Georges Second and the motion passed.
Guests Present: Greg Kissel from St. James, Kara Hoke, Randy Kiesel
- D. Commission Reports:
1. Alumni – Balloon Rosary was prayed & released on Tuesday May 15th.
 2. Boosters – Participating in the Fort Branch Town Festival Parade. Building a float next weekend, contact Mr. Hollis of Amber Sexton if interested in helping. Permission forms will be available at the parade line-up for pre-school/pre-K participants; Other permission forms will be sent home from the school.
 3. School Council - Needing a Legislative Liaison to replace Scott Scheller who is stepping down since all children have graduated Holy Cross. Holy Cross was previously selected to receive a grant from the Koch Foundation, but the application was rejected for the purpose of the use of the funds, and we will not be re-submitting the application. A promotional Video was recorded on May 15th during Mom's Day & the Balloon Rosary. It will be appearing on social media. Sr. Patricia McCormick will be speaking to the school families on September 8th from 1pm to 9pm. Hoping for a large turn out.
 4. Liturgy – No Report
 5. Finance – Deferred to Old Business
 6. Parish & Social Affairs – No Report
 7. Stewardship – No Report
 8. Faith Formation – Working on By-Laws with the help of Joe Hopf. Needing new members; There has not been enough members present to vote on offices. Catholics Return Home dates have been set for the fall.
 9. Long Range Planning – have not met, however there is the Adopt-A-Highway program this Saturday May 19th @ 8:00am meeting at Casey's. All Help is welcomed.
 10. Building & Grounds – No Report
 11. Journey Men – No Report
- E. NEW BUSINESS
1. Greg Kissel presented the "Dave Ramsey Financial Program" to help families in our three parishes to become better at financial planning. He will head up the program under the Name of the Three Parishes. The Fee would be \$229 to be divided between the three parishes costing each parish a little under \$60 for each parish. Peg Hall mas a motion to approve to be part or the Dave Ramsey Program lead by Greg Kissel with Holy Cross paying 1/3 of the \$229.00; Becky Mann second the motion and the motion passed.
- F. OLD BUSINESS
1. Capital Campaign – Pledges to the Diocese have reached \$33 million, surpassing the \$22 Million Goal. Everyone needs to fulfill their commitment. The Chiller issues have not been resolved, so it will continue to have maintenance work done to the chiller.
 2. School Restroom Renovations – Still on schedule for as soon as school has ended on Tuesday May 29 and should be completed by Mid July.
 3. Nominating Committee – Ann Georges made a suggestion to bring the names from each commission for their replacements to Parish Council to be voted on at Parish Council instead of during the Mass by the Parish. Greg Perkins mad a motion to make the switch to have the selection of names to be replaced on each Commission voted by the Parish Council, Gerald Weber & Ann George second the motion & the motion passed.
 4. School Landscaping – the trees are down and still in progress.
 5. Adopt-A-Highway has already been mentioned

6. Review of By Laws – Gerald has been working on the by-laws and thought that possibly a definition of the difference between a Council, Commission & Committee be written. It was also discussed with the Changes to the Nominating Process, that a Nominating Committee Representative for each Council/Commission was still necessary to obtain & choose the names to be brought to Parish Council for voting approval.
 - a. Membership on the Faith Formation Council is to be pastor appointed.
 - b. Stewardship Council is to have 9 members; will be 3 members from each Parish, with a 3 year term and one member going off each year; each member cannot hold more than 2 consecutive terms or 6 years. Gerald made the motion and Greg Perkins second and the motion Passed.
 - c. Finance members -is to be 6 members appointed by the Pastor and can hold position indefinitely. After some discussion the details for this was put on hold to be reviewed by Father Tony & Joe Hopf.
 7. Crusader Academy Restrooms – Kara Hoke reported when the vinyl was pulled off there was some mold. The Restrooms will need to be addressed, but will be put on hold until a decision on the Crusader Academy Basement Renovation Request is decided.
 8. Goals and Objective – To be addressed at next meeting; Possibly goals for next year.
 9. Crusader Academy – Joe Hopf read a letter to the Council from Principal John Hollis. Kara Hoke presented a list of costs for the Basement Renovation for the Crusader Academy. There was much discussion and many more questions centered around the cost of the renovations. Stan May thought a much higher costing duplex waste system would be needed for the new Restrooms instead of the single system quoted by Lewis Plumbing. The Heating & Cooling System was also a concern for the children. It was questioned if the current system would be adequate for the children in the Basement during the winter months. This would need to be checked out. Possible insulation on the interior walls or exterior walls was also a suggestion to help with the temperature. Sound proofing the ceiling for nap time in the basement was also a concern. The water getting into the basement was still a concern.
 10. The Parish Council was then called into an Executive Session and all guest presenters were excused. There was another letter read by Joe Hopf from an anonymous concerned member of the parish about the Crusader Academy. There was much more discussion among the Council Members on all of the previous issues and concerns. The motion was to made Not to approve the additional Class and Daycare in the basement until proper renovations are completed to make the basement dry which will be the responsibility of the parish. Peg Hall gave the 1st, Stan May was the second and the vote was taken by the Secretary with Roll Call. The Vote was 6 yes votes, 4 No votes and 1 abstaining, and the motion passed.
 11. Endowment Growth Report – to be put on next meeting agenda
 12. Safety Grant school fence – to be put on next meeting agenda
- G. No Announcements
 - H. Pastor Comments – No additional comments; thanking everyone for all the effort and hours discussing the Renovation Request for the Crusader Academy.
 - I. Closing Prayer – Father Tony lead us in the Glory Be.

Respectfully Submitted
Wanda Englert - Secretary