

Holy Cross Parish Pastoral Council Minutes

September 20, 2018

Approved

A. Opening Prayer

Roll Call – Members Present: Gerald Weber, Ann Mercer, Monica Weber, Amber Sexton, Stan May, Father Tony, Father Ambrose, Deacon Joe Siewers, Joe Hopf, Bill Knapp, Greg Perkins, Ryan Bruner, Wanda Englert, Lisa May, Carolyn Johnson, Becky Mann and Adam Englert

Members Absent: Jeff Sellers, Roger Johnson & Jason Baehl

B. Approval of Minutes – Stan May motioned to approve the minutes as submitted, Gerald Weber Second and the motion passed.

C. Commission Reports:

1. Alumni – Meeting on August 18; Sunday Sept 16th celebrated Feast of Holy Cross and Greg Perkins was awarded the Outstanding Alumni with a reception in Kaiser Hall. Membership Drive was Aug. 25 & 26; Fund Raiser of Golfing for Dummies will be held on Sunday October 14th @ Tee Time, more details in the bulletin.
2. Boosters – Turtle making is the main focus, with the weekend set. School dates are November 2,3, & 4 with the Church weekend of Nov. 10 & 11; Carmel days are October 13, 14, 21 & 22. Goal is 4500 lbs
3. School Council – Participated in the Diocesan School Council Workshop on Sept 13 @ the Catholic Center. Presentation was on Catholic Education in the US; a breakout session on marketing our schools and have some ideas to work on for next year.
4. Finance – New Endowment established by the family of Bob & Alvina Reuber for \$5,000.00 which will support the General needs of Holy Cross Parish. CPC Weekend will be October 13 & 14 and our goal for this year is \$90,713.00 which is up \$4,072 from last year. Booster have presented their expenses for the year to be \$59,290.00 of their \$60,200.00 leaving a balance of \$910. Stan May motioned to approve the Boosters Expenses for the year, Greg Perkins second the motion and the motion passed.
5. Hospitality – hosted one funeral dinner and have a Blood Drive scheduled for October 2
6. Liturgy – Will sponsor the Advent & Lenten Books to hand out; Lisa Bittner & Jamie Baehl are working on a binder of Pictures of all the Liturgical Seasons and how the Church is decorated. Trying to determine how to get a decorating committee together with email addresses. Two stones in the Memorial Garden are cracked and looking into the best options. They are taking the suggestion from Peg Hall at the Last Parish Council meeting to host a meet & greet with coffee & donuts. Looking into a rosary booklet on how to pray the rosary, may help the RCIA Candidates & Catechumens.
7. Parish & Social Affairs – The next Chicken Dinner is October 7th everyone is asked to donate a dessert; Still have some worker positions to fill.
8. Stewardship – Met on September 10th; previously had met with Bryan Macke & Laura Goedde to help sponsor Youth events and chose to help with the opening night of Religious Ed. The asked three High School Youth to speak about their experience with Religious Ed class and why they come. Speakers were Caleb Sellers, Sydney Goedde & Ellie Kiesel.
9. Faith Formation – Still working on new members and attendance; will hopefully have a Parish Council rep for the next meeting.
10. Long Range Planning – met last week and are needing to focus on purpose and direction.
11. Building & Grounds – It has been a very busy summer and most of the items are completed, Tuck Pointing of the Buildings; New Internet system; Boys & Girls Bathroom remodel is complete; The Parish & school grounds land scape & yard work is nearing completion. The Chiller had some modifications & the pipes were cleaned out; we have saved money by not needing to purchase a new chiller. Keep in mind that the Chiller was manufactured in 1988 and is 30 years old.
12. Journey Men – No Report

D. Old BUSINESS

1. Capital Campaign – Holy Cross is scheduled to receive close to \$300K once all the pledges are in by the Spring of 2020. We have received to date \$161K with three more installments to go, two in 2019 and one in February of 2020. All bills for the projects completed to date have been paid of \$112K with another \$5K bringing the total of \$117,000.00 The chiller was not replaced and a new electronic signage has not yet been purchased. The remaining money was designated to be put into the endowments. After much

discussion, a suggestion for the to get back together after the second payment of 2019 is received. It was also a suggestion to hold onto the money from the chiller. Stan May made a motion to hold onto the funds from the chiller for future expenses and Greg Perkins second the motion and the motion passed.

2. Handicap Restroom in the school - there were extra supplies from the two bathroom remodel to complete this restroom like the boys & girls. Jim and Monica Weber did the Painting and it is now completed.
3. Crusader Academy Basement Committee – Scheduled to Meet October 1st.
4. Vertical Church Meeting – After everyone has a chance to tour the facility and with much discussion at Tuesday Night's meeting, the project deemed too overwhelming Financially to take on. It brought to light that the Parish needs to determine what our future needs are to expand the current campus.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Walnut Street Parking – It has become a problem with parking on the south side of the street and the pick-up line on the north side during the weekdays that an ambulance could not make it down the street. It was suggested to remove the grass between the sidewalk & street & have this area poured with concrete for the south side can park closer to the sidewalk leaving more room on the street. A suggestion of asphalt &/or asking the Town of Fort Branch. Everyone is to look at this as we leave the meeting and discuss at the next Parish Council meeting.
2. Yearly Agenda was passed out
3. Review of the Parish Council Reporting & Use of Minutes – when the “UnApproved” minutes are emailed to each Parish Council Member, they should be taking these minutes back to their respective committees and give the report. This should be put on each committee's agenda to be reported on.
4. Adopt-A-Highway – The Committees in charge are Parish & Social Affairs and the Building & Grounds Committees. The Date set is Saturday October 20th, please watch the bulletin for details.
5. CPC Weekend – This is set for October 13th & 14th.
6. Mrs. Grabert – She has been very ill most of the beginning of school year. Cynthia (May) Owen has been hired to fill in on a permanent full time basis until Mrs. Grabert's full recovery & return to school. Please keep her in your prayers.

No Announcements

- F. Pastor Comments – Please keep Father Phil Kreilein in your prayers as well. He is battling cancer and has been struggling. The Bishop will be holding a prayer service for the victims of abuse by the Church. This will be held on October 1st @ 7:00pm at St. James Church.
- G. Closing Prayer – Father Tony lead us in the Glory Be.

Respectfully Submitted
Wanda Englert - Secretary