

Holy Cross Parish Pastoral Council
September 19, 2019
Approved Minutes

Members Present: Gerald Weber, Roger Johnson, Debbie Neufelder, Christie Menke, Fr. Christopher, Fr. Luke, Deacon Joe, Joe Hopf, Jan Burger, Darwin Neufelder, Laurie Ziliak, Jason Baehl, Wanda Englert, Lisa May, Stephanie Hollis, Amanda Southworth, Paula Heldt, Monica Weber

Members Absent: Warren Fleetwood, Ryan Bruner, Becky Siewers, Stan May

A. Opening Prayer

B. Approval of Minutes: Debbie Neufelder motioned to approve the minutes, Stan May second the motion and the motion passed.

C. Commission Reports:

1. Alumni – No Report

2. Boosters – Carmel will be in October 21; Dates for turtle making is November 1 – 3. Plan to make 4500 lbs. Asking to raise the Price from \$14 to \$15 per 1 pound box. Stan May made a motion to raise the price to \$15.00; Jason Baehl second the motion and the motion passed.

3. School Council – “I READ” scores were down slightly. Catholic Charities will not be offering a counselor due to funding. The school is looking into a program from “Youth First” and sharing the cost with our three linked Parishes, along with St. Joe in Princeton and possibly St. Wendel in Posey County.

4. Finance – Proposing to change the amount of spending before it needed to come to Parish Council. The change would be anything up to \$1000 that is already budgeted by the Parish Manager. Amounts from \$1,000 to \$5,000 approved by Finance; Over \$5,000 approved by Finance and Parish Council. Jason Baehl motioned to approve the new changes for spending approvals; Jan Burger second the motion and the motion passed.

5. Hospitality – Blood Drive October 1st

6. Liturgy – No Report

7. Parish & Social Affairs – Next Chicken Dinner is October 6th

8. Stewardship – looking into starting Parish Volleyball for young adults ages 18 -30; Dates are January 12th, 19th & 26th at St. James Madden Hall & the Fort Branch Gym.

9. Faith Formation – Looking into Parish Mission, probably for year 2021. Will be talking to Father Christopher for his input & ideas. Father Tony has scheduled Nationally known Catholic Priest & Speaker, Father Larry Richards for April 27 – 30 at St. John’s Church in Vincennes. He is asking for help from his friends in Gibson County to promote & help fill the Church. Catholics Return Home sessions are Scheduled for Thursday’s November 7, 14, & 21 and December 5, 12, & 19.

10. Long Range – No Report

11. Building & Grounds – New Storm Doors & Locks on Parish Center. Ran a new gas line because some small leaks; now the Chicken fryers will have better supply for fryers. Will be replacing the East sidewalk because it is sinking.

12. Journey Men – The next Breakfast is December 1st

13. St. Maria Goretti Youth – Opening Mass at St Bernard’s was well attended. Rock Life has begun and had about 40 youth. They will begin a program titled “The 99” There will be a Middle School hangout on September 28th.

D. Old Business

1. Capital Campaign Update – No Change

2. Brute’ Award Update – Due to the renovations at the Cathedral, the Diocese is canceling the Brute’ Award this year and will allow Parishes to have two recipients next year. There will be two ceremonies, One in the South at St. Benedicts and One in the North at the Old Cathedral in Vincennes.

E. New Business

1. Lisa Passed out the yearly agenda.

2. Review of Parish Council Reporting & Use of Minutes: It was also discussed that the Unapproved Minutes should be sent to Parish Manager and she will send out with agenda, for everyone to review before the next meetings. Commission Representatives only need to take back to their commission what is pertinent to their committee and no need to share the Unapproved Minutes with their respective commissions.
3. Catholic Parishes Campaign - CPC weekend will be October 5th & 6th our assessment for this year is \$97,325.00 which is up between 9 & 10 %

F. Announcements

1. Joe Hopf reported that there is the approval for the construction of the Second Mausoleum within the next month. Estimated completion of the concrete work by January and then later in the spring for the marble.

G. Pastor's comments - Everything is going good.

H. Closing Prayer

Respectfully Submitted by
Wanda Englert