

**St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting (draft)**  
**(via ZOOM)**  
**March 3, 2021**

The meeting was called to order @ 6:34PM by Adella Boeding.

**Opening Prayer**

The opening prayer was led by Father Hoffman.

**Roll Call**

Present: Father Hoffman, Becky Moran, Pat Krogmeier, Bob Schierbrock, Anthony Schulte, Deb Fullenkamp, Angela Hannum, Adella Boeding

Absent: Jack Blint, Kim Menke, Roger Fullenkamp

Guest: Rebecca Hannum, Matthew Garmoe, Scott Hannum

**Consent Agenda Approved**

Angela made a motion to approve the February minutes with a second from Deb with the following change: Add a discussion on delirious education to the agenda.

February Minutes approved with motion by Angela and a Second by Pat.

**Director of Religious Education Report**

Report submitted by Dixie Booten.

**Youth & Family Report**

A report was submitted by Nathan Clark.

**Church Maintenance**

Report submitted by Rebecca Hannum.

**Cemetery Board**

No report.

**School Board (provided by Father Hoffman)**

- Payment was made toward the line of credit to be paid in full for the new building.
- Approval of spring and summer sports was made.
- Administration and committee reports were approved.
- Rebecca asked the school board representative to please submit a monthly report to the parish council

**Financial Report**

- A budget was presented from the school with a vote of approval.
- Discussion to use Vanco to allow credit card payments to the parish. Will allow for a 'Donate Here Button' on the parish website.
- Discussion on investments such as endowments and how to best use them.
- Discussion on a possible audio/video solution for streaming Mass.
- Talked about the combining of A & R and the Fall Festival committees.

**Old Business**

Opening and closing prayer schedule: April - Bob, May - Father, June - Adella

- Parish Stewardship/Committee Pillars
  - Angela reported on the Family Life pillar. She is trying to revive the Strong Catholic Family Group.
  - Becky reported on the Faith Formation Pillar. Most areas are being covered. It was brought up regarding training for catechists. This may be difficult as they are volunteers and requiring this may lead to fewer volunteers.
- Fall Festival is still in search of three new couples. Many suggestions were made as to how to get people involved. Matthew Garmoe spoke with ideas to combine the A & R committee and the Fall Festival committee. One possibility is to have a General Chair with sub-committees. They are in search of a computer program that can be used for the auction with many capabilities. Anyone with questions or ideas may contact Matthew Garmoe at [matthew@garmoeinc.com](mailto:matthew@garmoeinc.com).
- Evaluation of the old HTC Elementary Buildings and parish offices. There are no new updates. Rebecca is waiting to hear back from Mike Schmitt and Brockway.
- Religious Education Update: Students will continue with the online program until the diocese changes the mitigation status.

#### **New Business**

- Audio/Video Systems for Mass streaming: We need to improve the audio quality for streaming and in-person. There is a large price range for upgrading. We need to keep in mind a long-range solution. Current audio system is 20 years old. Angela brought suggestions that Rebecca will look into further. Bob motioned to authorize purchase of something new in the \$2000-\$2500 range. Pat seconded.

#### **Student Representative**

No report submitted.

#### **Pastor's Corner**

Closing prayer was led by Father Hoffman

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Moran