**St. Mary’s Parish Council Meeting (draft)**

**(via ZOOM)**

**December 2, 2020**

The meeting was called to order @ 6:35 PM by Bob Schierbrock.

**Opening Prayer**

The opening prayer was led by Father Hoffman. (Opening and closing prayer schedule: December - Anthony, January - Ray, February - Jack, March - Angela, April - Bob Schierbrock, May - Becky, June - Adella)

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: Jack Blint, Kim Menke, Adella Boeding

Guest: Rebecca Hannum

**Consent Agenda Approved**

Motion to approve the December Agenda: Pat 1st and Becky 2nd.

Motion to approve the November Minutes: Pat 1st and Father 2nd.

**Director of Religious Education Report**

Report submitted by Dixie Booten.

**Youth Ministry**

Our new youth minister started on Tuesday, December 1.

**Church Maintenance**

A report was submitted by Rebecca Hannum. Several outlets have been or will be replaced in the church offices. A bid has been received for replacing the windows in the church basement. Still have plans to replace the door by the sacristy to make it an emergency exit. Rebecca is waiting on word from Mike to get the project started.

**School Board**

The school board voted to sell two of the older busses as they can't be certified any longer. A new part-time janitor was hired for the elementary building to help keep up with the cleaning during the day to fight Covid. Nicole Holtkamp will continue to represent HTC for the Iowa Education Benefit. ECC is extending their hours to better support parents both in Fort Madison and West Point. The KC’s are donating $1000 from the Tootsie Roll drive to HTC. There are 30 projected students to be enrolled in kindergarten for 2021-2022. The search continues for Michael Sheerin’s replacement.

**Financial Report**

PPP loan forgiveness application has been submitted and approved. The Servant Keeper 2 program needs to be updated. The committee will be deciding possibly buying the program outright and keeping it on one computer rather than the cloud. The cost sharing agreement between HTC and St. Mary’s has been finalized and signed. This agreement details the cost sharing of improvements, maintenance, and upkeep of the buildings used by the school. Fall Festival should end up over $200,000.

**Old Business**

Elementary building --*see above in the Financial Report.*

Angela reported on the ACE program between the University of Notre Dame and eligible catholic schools. After speaking with the university, she will now go to HTC to see if they are in support of pursuing the opportunity. If they are, two other schools in the area/diocese will need to also get on board. Then, it will be presented to the Superintendent of Schools for the diocese for approval. Motion for approval: Becky 1st and Roger 2nd. Parish Council Duties per the diocese were sent out to everyone in October. Each council member should choose one area to focus on and let Deb know. (The list will be sent out again along with the December minutes.)

**New Business**

It was decided to leave the 2nd collection schedule as is. Motion to approve: Angela 1st and Becky 2nd.

Masses for the Holy Day for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8: are 8:45 AM & 5:30 PM in West Point and at 9:00 AM in Farmington.

**Student Representative**

No report submitted.

**Pastor’s Corner**

Closing prayer was led by Father Hoffman.

Next Meeting: January 6 @ 6:30

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Moran