

St. Gabriel Finance/Parish Council Joint Meeting
May 10th, 2022

Attendees: Anne Greif, Mike Van Dyke, Peter Schmitz, Fr. Bob, Terry Olson, Lynn Hopfensperger, Mary Koslowski, Joe Varkoly

Excused: Troy Sommerfeld, Sara Van Frachen, Casey Auer, Tom Klinkhammer, Deacon Tom, Steve Pable, Tom K, Mark/Lisa Blenker

Opening Prayer - Father

Minutes

- Lynn H moved to approve the minutes: Joe V seconded. Approved

Missionary Discipleship

- Decided to move to the next meeting (June)

Budget Process

- Reviewed Income
 - Kept parish support the same
 - Some concerns about the economy/inflation
 - Are seeing some new parishioners/mass attendance seems to be improving
 - Some accounts are in/out – really don't impact our financials
 - Working on RE tuition
 - Discussed fund raisers
- Reviewed Expenses
 - Added 1 FTE (St. Gabes role) and 0.2 FTE (5 parish role)
 - Anne figured worse case
 - Did figure in one grant for the shared role
 - Did bump up utilities
- Overall - will be about \$45k short
 - Could plan to use the surplus from this year
 - Could defer the start date of the new role
 - Expect the role to bring in additional people – hope to generate additional envelope income
 - Reevaluate the budget in September after the new role is on board
 - Question on who is taking the lead on the grant
 - Anne to follow up with Barry on how many FTE's we should target for a parish our size
- Having the new roles is a big change for our parish

Financials (Anne)

- We are doing well financially. Ahead on envelope giving. About \$63K profit
 - The IRA/RMD checks continue to come in
- Anne inquired if we invest some of our savings into a money market with the diocese
 - Still plan on holding.
 - Some discussions on I bonds.
 - Anne/Troy to follow up with the diocese

Vision Project (Pete)

- Pete provided an update on status of the Vision project
 - Chairs are here; some damage
 - Stained glass in June

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- Baptistry/ambo – July
- Organ in July
- Altar/crucifix for the chapel – late summer
 - Do have a relic for the altar
- Continue to meet to make additional decisions
- We appreciate all the work that Pete is doing!!

B&G

- School roof, siding, doorway signage
 - Working on signage options
- Electrical Switchgear – have the proposal for WE energies
 - With supply chain issues, the vendor isn't accepting any orders until June
 - Working on plan to start ordering equipment (install summer 2023)
- 5 Year capital plan
 - Boiler and controls – obtaining proposals
 - Parish Office Conference Room - new carpet/paint?
 - Other renovations (paint walls, new chairs, other furniture, etc.?)
 - Need to focus on pulling the plan together
- Space utilization study
 - Awaiting input/need to get the group back together
 - Mike to ping the UWO Professor
 - Youth Ministry Room – plan
- Others
 - Rectory crawl space – need to inspect/add plastic/heat ducting
 - Need to clean up the yard
 - Replacing Hallway LED lights as time permits

Finance Council Membership / Terms (Pete)

- Current members - members with expiring terms or any choosing to drop membership
 - Mike's term as Trustee Secretary is up. Provide suggestions to Father Bob
 - Everyone is willing to stay on the finance council
 - Discussion on the size of the council
 - Suggestion to add one more person to the FC (to bring them up to speed)
 - Anne to run an ad in the bulletin looking for both
 - Positions – Finance Council representative and Parish council Trustee (elected)

N-M Trustee (Lynn/Mike)

- Mike reviewed the notes from the last pastor/trustee meeting
 - Some discussion of an area wide space study – including all facilities
- Timber Rattlers game – May 20th Lynn is working with the school and the other parishes on the plans.

Other

- SMC made an announcement on the hiring of the new vice elementary school principal for St. Gabes
- Mary inquired about a new parish directory
 - Plan to bring up at the next Parish Council meeting

Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting: June 7th 6:30 pm

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