

St. Gabriel Finance Council Meeting
April 9, 2024

Attendees: Anne Greif, Karen Rappl, Terry Olson, Fr. Bob
Lynn Hopfensperger, Joe Varkoly, Dave Risgaard, Julie Klein, Joe
Lautenschlager, Mike Van Dyke

Opening Prayer- In remembrance of Fr. Richard Allen

Minutes

- Mike motion to approve, seconded Joe V - APPROVED

Financials (Anne)

- Expenses down, income up. \$27,872 better than budget overall
 - SCRIP profit is \$3400 above budget
 - Personnel \$5000 less than budget
 - Shared expenses \$12,500 under budget
- Mass attendance numbers are up from recent history
- YTD Envelope/Loose offertory is up as well (\$1061 ahead of budget)
- Strong staff generating enthusiasm

Old Business

- Cemetery- an offer is being extended to a candidate for sexton, working on a bookkeeper
- Office would be at St. Patrick's
- Visitor envelopes in pews
- Neighbor with the drainage issues – In Process
- Funeral and Estate Planning workshop and that is coming up on April 27th
- Charge Card System- Square Terminal for \$299 will be purchased for future use

New Business

- **School investment for 2024-25 (subsidy to SMCS)**
 - Building and maintenance, utilities, spreadsheet model to level playing field for smaller parishes
 - In 2023 it was adjusted to 35% of envelope giving, SMM does not want to pay more
 - St. Mary's took a large increase to subsidy in 2023
 - St Patrick has higher maintenance and overhead expense without parish size to sustain
 - Top line proposal shows \$6300 increase to Saint Gabriel, but percentage is similar for all

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- Motion to approve Comparisons for School Investments (Subsidy) as presented by Lynn, seconded by Dave (attached) – APPROVED
- \$200,000 donation from a deceased parishioner, potentially more. Currently in Money-Market, may be moved to contingency fund (60/40 stock to bond) or CD
- Joe V. made a motion to open \$100,000 13-month CD at Fox Communities for 5% and a \$100,000 7-month CD at 5.25%. – APPROVED
- Lynn working on grants with Department of Justice for digital mapping for 3 buildings to provide EMS personnel access
- Lynn working on other grant items such as fencing, doors, locks, etc.
- Remember & Rejoice Event is Saturday, April 20th to thank organ donors

B&G Update (Mike)

- Lappen Lock proposal. We have **medico locks with keys that we can no longer copy**. Related to Lynn's grant discussion.
- JC Security came in at a lower bid for a similar project in improving locks. **We have worked with this company in the past.**
- Fox Valley Sealcoat **sealed the parking lots** approximately 3 years ago. **Assessment to redo this summer is** about \$7,500. Mike recommends we move ahead with this.
- Roof replacement proposal from Security Luebke was looked at with Mike and others. 20-year warranty. Original estimate was \$186,000, **but reduced to \$175,000**. Fiber membrane roof. Boldt said this is the top-rated roof you can get. Slotted in June, we have \$172,000 already set aside. 3-week turn time. Gym, office, and early learning roofs to be replaced.
- Lawn mowing price increase up \$300 per year. 18 mowings at \$30 an hour. **Finance Council approved**
- **The Finance Council approved a \$500 donation for the snow removal company since he was hurting financially with lack of snow this winter.**

Vision Project

- Questions on paint **color** behind statues and crucifix. **Committee will re-evaluate the entire look in front of the church after the walls of Sanctuary are completed as this may change the look.**
- Sanctuary side walls should be complete in Fall (attach vision numbers report)

Trustee Report

- Nothing to report, further updates could come via email

Other Items

- **Changes to Finance Council**
 - **Julie will remain as trustee**
 - **Terry will be done at the end of June**
 - **Joe V's first term ends at the end of June, will remain 3 more years.**
- Tuesday May 14th is next meeting, then June 4th.

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- Q&A with Father for Confirmation and RCIA candidates (2nd Monday of every month)

Closing Prayer

Meeting adjourned 8:05 PM

Vision Project Update April 1, 2024

ITEMS RECENTLY COMPLETED / IN-PROGRESS

Completed:

Gabriel and Holy Family Statues – Installed new Gabriel and Holy Family statues

Old Organ Pipe Room – Removed asbestos containing mastic and tile from floor

UPCOMING PROJECT ITEMS

By August 2024:

Mary, Joseph, and Jesus & Children Statues – Repair and refinish the statues to be located in the school’s main hallway

Fall 2024:

Sanctuary Side Walls – Renovate the side walls of the sanctuary

FINANCIAL UPDATE

- Summary of upcoming project work expenses:

Vision Project Financial Update

obO Donations	\$412,186
Vision Donations	\$51,585
Vision Interest	\$945

Total Donations	\$464,716
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Paid Expenses	\$401,862
Un-invoiced Expenses	\$59,275

Total Expenses	\$461,137
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<i>Late Pledges</i>	<i>-\$27,718</i>
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<i>Cancelled Pledges</i>	<i>-\$32,000</i>
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<i>Default Pledges</i>	<i>-\$59,718</i>
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<i>Pledge Total (1/1/22)</i>	<i>\$1.259M</i>
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Pledge Total (1/1/24) \$1.227M

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