

St. Gabriel Finance Council Meeting
August 6, 2024

Attendees: Anne Greif, Karen Rappl, Fr. Bob, Lynn Hopfensperger
Dave Risgaard, Julie Klein, Mike Van Dyke, Mike Brown

Excused: Joe Varkoly, Joe Lautenschlager

Opening Prayer- Fr. Bob

Peter Krautkramer – new sexton

- His job is everything that deals with the cemetery
- Working on the columbarium (like the one in Kimberly)
 - Planning on educating the parish community
 - Some discussion of having Father including education in November
- Cemetery board – a member from each of the three parishes as well as the priests
 - St. Gabriel spot is still open – Father is asking for prayerful consideration

June Minutes

- Question on the neighborhood berm (under old business)
- Motion by Dave to approve, second by Lynn - APPROVED

Financials (Anne)

- Budget update
 - Have the roles filled; Neither are requiring health insurance
 - Plan to keep income as this past year
 - Budget is essentially balanced
 - Dave moved to approve the budget; Mike seconded the motion
- Financials
 - Still early in the year; Slightly behind last year.
 - Did end up in the black last fiscal year; plan to discuss next month
- Balance Sheet
 - Checking is slightly lower than last year; some deferred income
 - Still keeping it in savings for now
 - Plan to move \$10K from checking to the money market
- Jensen gift
 - Some discussion on the ~\$200K gift
 - Thinking ~\$100K to the cemetery endowment
 - ~\$100K to the newly formed St. Gabriel endowment
 - May want to consider having a separate board
 - Tabled this discussion until next meeting
 - Sub committee – Dave, Anne, Lynn, Julie
 - Plan to review the information and bring back a proposal

Old Business

- Neighbor with berm, letter sent last year and again in spring of 2024- no update
 - Karen and Mike brought the FC up to speed
 - Karen to discuss with Deacon Tom tomorrow

New Business

- Annual Meeting
 - Father writes the letter; Anne prepares the financials
 - Usually in October – planning for Oct 20th
- Grant update
 - \$9500 for digital mapping - needed to add a third signature
 - \$433K Federal Grant – still waiting
 - Looking for asbestos removal grant monies – no luck
 - Working with Jake’s network of Hope – getting things at a discount
- Trustee
 - Posted in the bulletin – no one responded
 - Julie will continue

B&G Update (Mike)

- Roofing update - making progress
- Classroom Flooring – old flooring removed, new flooring being installed this week
- Bathrooms update – old fixtures removed, ceiling fixed, walls/ceiling painted, new toilets installed. Still need to install the stalls
- Concrete Proposals – Mike reviewed the proposals and the recommendations. FC voted to move forward

Vision Project

- Pete provided an update

Trustee Report (Julie)

- Had a joint Trustee meeting in July; Julie covered some highlights

Other Items

- School is almost full. Some discussion of potentially needing to expand our school in the future if enrollment continues to increase

Closing Prayer

- Meeting adjourned 8:10 PM
- Future Meetings:
 - September 10th
 - October 22nd – joint meeting with parish council
 - November 12th