

St. Mary's Parish Council Meeting – December 1, 2009

Present: Cathy Hulser, Don Holtz, Fr. Jeff Tunncliff, Mike Smith, Mary Ann Cleary, Laurie Desmarais, Ted Hertel, Fr. John DeSocio, Alex Granger, Patti Piegdon

Absent: Tony Marks, Jack Strong, Judy Beecher, Dave Fagan

The meeting was called to order by Mary Ann Cleary, vice-chairperson, @ 7 pm. Cathy led the opening prayer. Don Holtz moved to approve the November minutes. Ted Hertel 2nd the motion. They were unanimously approved by the committee.

Committee reports from liaisons:

- Buildings & Grounds – Mike gave Fr. John the final list of committee members. He will pass it on to Dave Fagan and set up a meeting.
- Festival – no meeting held per Patti
- Finance – Mike notes that committee is devising a financial form that will provide parishioners with the financial status of our parish. Should be ready after the 1st of the year.
- Parish Life – no meeting held per Patti
- Social Ministry – Fr. Jeff reports progress on the Christmas basket project.
- Renovation/Endowment – the Endowment fund has gained back what it had lost over the past year, and the balance is where it was a year ago.
- Golf – no meeting held per Cathy

CMA: Collected \$30,751 – 68% of goal. Fr. Jeff has tried to reach Tony Barbaro to speak at all the masses one weekend in the near future. Those who have heard him speak on behalf CMA say he is knowledgeable and informative in his presentation.

Outreach to Inactive Catholics: Next gathering will be January 20, 2010. Tony will briefly speak this coming weekend at all masses. Parish council members will be at all entrances of the church after mass to hand out pamphlets regarding the upcoming presentation 1/20/10. Mike will do the same the weekend of December 19th and 20th.
Schedule of those handing out brochures this weekend: Sat. 4 pm mass – Laurie, Tony and Nancy Marks;
8 am mass – Cathy, Mary Ann, Alex, Don; 10:30 am mass – Patti, Ted, Tony

Teen Activities: Anne & Burt Beebe were unable to attend this meeting. Fr. John will talk with them in regard to exchanging ideas on teen involvement.

AED: The money for the unit for the gym has been collected but there have been problems getting the unit ordered and delivered. Cost is \$1600 + \$98 pediatric key; includes free shipping, free case, and no tax. Cabinet is already here. Fr. John and Cathy will meet with Anne Bremer, locate the money for this unit, and will contact Mary Montanarella to finalize the order.

Sound system: Still crackling when being turned off. They will call the company again to check it.

Piano: The old piano in church died and new one has been purchased. The choir loft will be cleared and the area made larger in the choir loft.

Ted would like to work on getting a small book rest for the lectionary book at the ambo. It would be helpful to have the book to sit higher.

Next meeting: *Tuesday, January 12th @ 7 pm. Ted Hertel – prayer leader and snacks.*

Closing prayer given by Fr. John. Meeting adjourned @ 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Patti Piegdon