

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2017

Father Mark, Bill Graveman, Bob Bender, Mike Saunders, Jan Morey, Paula Zishka, Alicia Hayes, Chris Donnelly, Dave Hernandez, Ken Mark, Gloria Reischman, Kathleen Breuer, Nancy Lanza and Michael Davenport were in attendance.

Mike Saunders opened the meeting with a prayer. The February minutes were approved as written.

Finance Committee: The finances are comparable to one year ago, with cash flow doing okay at this time. The expense for the keynote speaker at our Difference of One conference hosted by the Stewardship committee was approved and paid. A new water heater was purchased to replace the large recycling water heater for the kitchen at a cost of \$6,200.

Religious Education: Nancy reported 35 youth attended the PowerPlay outing, and 15 youth participated in the Tonganoxie St. Patrick's Day parade. A scavenger hunt is planned for the Youth Group on Wed., March 15, and an informational meeting for NCYC will occur later that evening. A Final Four Watch party is being planned for Sat., April 1, at the church.

Facilities Advisory Committee: Light bulbs have been replaced in the classrooms and in the parking lot. Spotlights for the flagpoles and for the front of the church are being replaced with LED lights. The new water heater will now have a timer which starts at 7 a.m. and shuts off at midnight each day. The tornado shelter area was used during the recent storm. It was a reminder for all parishioners to review the severe weather plan for the church. A request was made by Father Mark to have Wi-Fi or a battery-operated weather radio in the basement in order to receive weather updates. The committee will be seeking bids for replacement of the roof. Ideal Lawn Service has been awarded the bid for mowing the irrigated areas of the church lawn. The fire extinguisher and kitchen hood inspections have been completed. Inspection of the fire alarms and emergency lighting will also take place this month.

Old Business: A motion was made to serve pulled pork at the Parish Picnic on Sun., June 4, 2017. The motion was seconded and passed. During the picnic, Ron Zishka will be celebrating his ordination as a permanent Deacon. Paula will purchase the cake for the celebration.

A review of information on the proposed preschool for the church was presented. The demand for a preschool in Tonganoxie appears to be high. Further details are being researched by Bill Graveman and will be presented at our next council meeting. Many questions were raised and Bill will try to get further clarification to these questions.

Father Mark closed with a prayer.

Next Pastoral Council Meeting is Mon., April 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the 4th-grade classroom.

Upcoming Events:

April 1 – Cookies, Punch & Reconnecting, after 4 p.m. Mass

April 2 – Stewardship Sunday gathering, after both Masses (Youth Group hosting)

April 8 – Parish Clean-up day, 9 a.m. – noon (Please come help to prepare for Easter)

April 21 & 22 – Stewardship Mini-Conference “Difference of One, 2017”