

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

St. John the Baptist Church & St. Lawrence Church

January 8, 2019 6:30PM Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Present: Father Tom Coyle, Sue Whitstone, Michelle Haffelder, Terry Tinkle, Catherine Arndt, Lizzett Perez, Scott Endl, Steve Donley, Nicole Hampton, Theresa Schuette, Bill Bare, Gina Gehring

-Opening Prayer

-Review & Approval of November meeting minutes

-The minutes were reviewed by all members present and approved

-Buildings & Grounds/Church for Our Future Committee Report

-The Church for Our Future Committee is essentially the fundraising “arm” of the Buildings & Grounds Committee

-In the process of setting-up an endowment fund

-Prioritized the top 10 projects for the church and school

-Finalizing their vision and story and hope to make their pitch to the parish during the First Quarter of 2019

-Financial Committee Report

-A bit short and in the negative going into December 2018, but generous donations during the Christmas season had us ending 2018 back in the positive

-Religious Education Committee Report

-Good turnout for the presentation by Dave VanVickle in November

-The February Mass & Meal for Post-Confirmation students will be held on 2/24/19 and sponsored by the Parish Council and Finance Committee

-Catherine will send out an email in the next couple of weeks seeking volunteers and/or monetary donations

-The annual Fish Fry will be held on 3/22/19

-Pastoral Committee Report

-The Donuts with Santa event in December was a success, and something they hope to continue in future years

-SJB School Report

- From the first round of Safety Grants from the state, the following was recently completed:
 - All doors were rekeyed
 - A new camera was installed at the entrance to the church
 - A new PA System was installed
- New lighting was installed in the library, hallways and downstairs classrooms
- In the process of forming a marketing group
 - School year planning
 - Planning for Catholic Schools Week
 - Encourage enrollment at SJB
 - Video testimonials
 - Facebook advertising
 - Possible incentives (scholarships) for students who attend SJB Kindergarten through 8th Grade
- The Catholic Schools Accreditation Self Study Group met just prior to this Parish Council meeting
 - Making good progress

-Upcoming Meetings

- Parish Council: Tuesday, 3/5/19
- Finance Committee: Monday, 3/4/19
- Pastoral Committee: TBD
- Buildings & Grounds Committee: TBD
- Religious Education Committee: Tuesday, 1/15/19
- Church for Our Future Committee: Sunday, 2/3/19

-Adjournment