

Immaculate Conception  
Parish Council  
September 8, 2015

Call to order at 6:30pm

Present: Mark Seyer, Mary Donnellan, Betty Campbell, Linda Corey, Pat Schaffer, Father Prince Raja, Father Don Meuret

Students: Jack Usher, Anne McMenemy

Absent: Deb Stanke

## REPORTS

Financial: 1) As of August 31, 2015 we have \$1,180,290.85 in savings. 2) Direct Deposit was started and \$4000-\$6000 is collected monthly. 3) The Bishop's Appeal begins this weekend and Father Don's letter will be sent this week. Our goal is \$85,000 which is a 5% increase from last year. Anything over \$85,000 we keep. 4) Quarterly reports will be placed in the Church Bulletin. Once a year it is mandated to distribute the financial parish report.

Education: PREP 1) hosted a AWOL , A Work of Love, this summer with 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders completing service projects. 2) Enrollment in PREP is 110 families. 3) Confirmation classes begin soon with eight meetings a year in small groups. The facilitators will meet for two hours at a time in their homes or at the school. 4) First Communion students will be from 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade this year so it will be a large group. 5) The mentally challenged will be given sacramental instruction at St. Patricks Parish as a city wide prep program.

REGIS 1) Enrollment is at 824 and nine teachers were hired for the new year. 2) New Regis dress code was implemented this year. A student committee was formed last year to review and organize a planned code. 3) Non-Sibi Dinner will be held at Regis High School gym on September 19. Cindy and Ed Hofacker will be honored along with Teachers of the Year, and Renee Cassidy, Diocesan Administrator of the Year. 4) Regis audition seating collection is going well and the seats will be removed over Christmas break.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL 1) Enrollment is at 202. 2) Summer projects included parking lot sealing, new Oak Room carpet, new corner fence and gate post, new window screens, along with new kdg. and 1<sup>st</sup> gr. desks and chairs, 12 new iPads, 8 new laptops for teachers.

Liturgy: 1) Music dynamics was discussed at the meeting. 2) The Video System is being re-done since the present system is very cumbersome to use. Presently, videotaping of Mass is too jerky. Audi Architect is coming to re-do the program. 3) Lighting and air conditioning were hit by lighting and we are working on some issues with lights behind the stain glass windows.

Social Justice: 1) The Quilting Group is planning to assist Mt. Washington Nursing Home and make lap blanket and table runners. 3) Volunteers will continue to work at Community Table.

Family Life: 1) Ministry Fair is scheduled for October 3 and 4 with tables set up to inform parishioners of the various committees in the parish. It is also a coffee and donut Sunday. The goal is to increase awareness and add volunteers to the various needs of the parish. 2) The Fall Bazaar is scheduled for November 8<sup>th</sup>. The Boy Scouts will organize the White Elephant Sale. 3) Father Don would like to re-vamp our Baptismal Program. Maybe ask young couples to facilitate meetings. 4) Father Don is thinking of having more blessings for various groups like student graduates, expectant parents, college students, etc.

Next meeting is October 13, at 6:30pm.

Adjourned at 8:00pm

Submitted by Renee Cassidy