

Cluster Council Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2023
Sacred Heart, La Porte City

Meeting brought to order by Chair Jenny Hoover at Sacred Heart at 6:30 pm. Opening prayer by Rev. Anthony (Tony) Boahen Nketiah.

1. Roll call present: Rev. Anthony, Kyle Herink (SP), Jenny Hoover (Chair) (SH), Elizabeth Monat Cluster Secretary, Cory Mullen (Vice-Chair) (SM), and Gary Murphy representative of Faith Formation
Absent: Dennis Blunt (SM), Eileen Dudys (SP), and Andrea McMahon (SH)
2. Faith Formation Report - Gary Murphy
 - Gary informed the council that the cluster received a resignation from CRE, Jill Pick.
 - The cluster is currently seeking applications for the CRE position, with an applicant expected to take part in an interview on Thursday, July 20, 2023.
 - The Faith Formation Council is requesting we look to increase the wage of the CRE position from \$16.50 per hour to \$18.00 per hour and possibly increase the hours per week from 20 hours to 25 hours.
 - After a brief discussion the following was determined:
 - Jenny Hoover recommended we continue with the current hourly wage of \$16.50 and 20 hours per week and make adjustments as needed in the future. Cory Mullen moved to approve the current wage and hours and Kyle Herink seconded. All in favor; motion passed.
3. Old Business
 - No report
4. New Business
 - Cluster Website – Elizabeth Monat
 - Our current website is down due to an expired credit card on file with the web-based company, Go Daddy. We are unable to login to the site and update the credit card information due to them having an email on file that is no longer in use.
 - It was determined that we would move forward with a new URL and hope to transfer all our web content to a new website.
 - Lizzy will work on this and get input as needed.
 - Review Budget – Elizabeth Monat
 - The Cluster Council reviewed the budget. We didn't see any significant adjustments that needed to be made and we ended the year under budget.
 - Fr. Tony suggested that we keep the budget the same and see what the next year brings to look at the long-term budget and make a decision on any adjustments next year.
 - Jenny Hoover recommended we keep the annual budget for 2023-2024 the same with no adjustments. Kyle moved to approve the annual budget for 2023-2024 and Cory Mullen seconded. All in favor; motion passed.
 - Parish Vitality Goals – Jenny Hoover

- Parish goals are due August 31, 2023. Jenny encouraged council members to work towards completing those by the deadline.

5. Pastors Report

- Fr. Tony is planning to be on vacation beginning in August. Fr. Joseph will be his replacement while he is away. He expects to be gone for five weeks.

6. Upcoming Events

- Sacred Heart will be hosting their annual Soup Supper on election night in November.
- All other parish's have small events taking place.

7. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Hoover

Jenny Hoover, Chair