

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

December 2, 2019, 6:30pm

Present: Kayla Bahnum, Linda Corey, Renee Cassidy, Mary Donnellan, Dan Liebham, Pat Schaffer, Deacon Power, Father Francis

1. Opening Prayer: Linda Corey
2. Review of November 4, 2019 minutes. No corrections.
3. Reports
 - a. School: Kayla Bahnum, Principal, reported that the WRISA Accreditation Visit in November went well. Several commendations on our Catholic Identity, Governance and Curriculum were written. Only one recommendation came in the category of Operational Vitality. Mr. Mark Gobler, President, announced his retirement. Kelly Mechellke is the new Central Office Supervisor. Eric Nelson is Interim Controller and Regis is searching for an Enrollment Coordinator. On November 18, a Parent Forum was held to introduce the new Parent Ambassador program with more information going out soon. Regis Football Team went to state but lost against St. Marys Springs from Fond du Lac. It was Regis' only loss this year. Immaculate Conception School has organized Advent Service Projects during December. They already collected \$921 for *Jeans for Jesus* and gave the money to *Toys for Tots*. Their next *Jeans for Jesus* will go towards *Meals on Wheels*. On November 14, the 5th graders led the school in the annual St. Francis Food Pantry Mass. Reconciliation is Dec. 3 for grades 3-5. The Christmas Program is on Tuesday, December 10 in the Church.
 - b. PREP: Linda Corey, Religious Ed. Administrator, reported during Advent they will collect quarters for Heifer International. Every classroom has an Advent wreath supplied by PREP Office. High School Youth will be volunteering at the Cookie Walk. Confirmation Retreat is Saturday, December 7, at IC with St Raymond's Parish.
 - c. Mission: The Bible retreat with Catholics and Lutherans was held on November 16 with 75 people in attendance.
 - d. Barb Brandner, employee of PREP, is at a Chetek rehab center due to her health issues. She probably will not return to work at this time.
4. 75th Jubilee Review:
 - a. Name tags were used for the first time this past weekend for Ushers, Lectors, and Communion Ministers.
 - b. Tim Dearing will begin selling religious articles at Hospitality Sundays starting in January.
 - c. IC School will have an Open House for retired teachers, alumni, and parishioners on January 26 after the 10:30am Mass to give tours. A dedication to Tony Olson, retired phy.ed teacher, will take place at 12:00pm. The gym floor will be dedicated to him for teaching at IC School for 37 years.
5. Parish Census: Two weekends this fall parishioners filled out census cards and 500 cards were returned. Letters were sent to parishioners who have not returned their information and the deadline is December 9th. Then we will call people for information. Fifty people expressed interest in joining the parish through the cards.
6. Christmas Wish List: A bulletin insert will be created soon to list the items.

7. Rental Contract for Father Klink Hall: We discussed the amounts to be collected for the contract and only allowing parishioners to use the facility. We agreed on \$100 deposit, \$100 insurance, \$100 Rental. The deposit will be returned if they clean up properly. A check list should be created by Dallas Short.
8. Wedding Brochure: An invoice should be created for weddings. Musicians are paid but at this time no amount is set for the church or priest. We discussed \$150 for parishioners, \$300 for on-parishioners, and \$30 or \$40 for altar servers.
9. Adoration Chapel: Since St. Patrick's Building was sold, a new Adoration site needs to be found. Father Francis asked if we could build a small building to host Adoration behind our Church on Sherwin Avenue. We unanimously agreed it was a great idea. The deanery will explore security and building options.
10. Fall Festival: The November Fall Festival was well attended since we ran out of food and the gym was always full. We took in \$6000 more than last year for a total of \$18,000.
11. Knights of Columbus: An idea was brought up about getting the KC more involved with service projects in our parish. How can we get them more visible and active? They did host a meal in August for new families which was the first for them.
12. Jubilee Scholarship: Think about this for our next meeting.
13. Gathering of Young Families: Let's think about a family fun night in the future. Bring ideas.

Final Prayer: Deacon Power

Next meeting: February 4th, 6:30pm

Adjourned at 8:15pm

Minutes submitted by Renee Cassidy