Parish Council

Monday, October 18, 2021

Attendance: Mary Carol Heidrich, Krista Braun, Judy Dornbusch, Sister Paula Gohs, Pete Manczyk, Laura Keener and Father Ivan Kalamuzi.

Father Ivan opened with prayer.

Review and approval of minutes.

Update minutes:

Dan Moser

* Add DPAA as fundraiser
* Add DPAA attach parish project
* Add DPAA change mindset
* Add Electronic giving
* Add weekly bulletin budget: last week, needed, given, over/under
* Educate how DPAA benefits us, how its assessed, how goal is determined

Father Ivan:

3 contributions to the diocese:

* DPAA
* Cathedradecum 7.5%
* Secondary Schools Fund 5.5%

Sister Paula moved to accept minutes with updates; Judy seconded.

Committee reports

* Mary Carol
  + boiler is in at school and is working as far as they know with the current warmer weather
* Judy
  + Talked to Lisa, cafeteria air conditioning is installed
  + Next fundraiser is El Jinete night, 10/20, 4-9 p.m.
  + Halloweenfest 10/23, 1-3 p.m. need volunteers to run some of the games, looking for older students
    - Cake walk game, need donated cakes or cookies; drop off at festival
  + Halloween parade of costumes 10/29
  + Service Club is back after school service for children grades 5 through 8
  + Made thank you notes for parishioners
  + PTO is tomorrow 5 p.m. 10/19
  + COVID – zero cases
* Laura
  + MACC served Wednesday; mostaccioli casserole mostly carry out; only about 40 days
  + Baby blankets, are still being made and there have been baptisms but not sure if they are in the age range to receive a blanket
  + Pro-Life – 40 days covered 4 hours at Planned Parenthood, 10 am-2 p.m.; about 11 parishioners participated
    - Father Ivan was very impressed with one parish that was very organized with their prayers
    - Mary Ellen said she didn’t know what to do if a client was there to be talked to; would like a tutorial on how to speak to people going into the building; maybe could reach out to Paul and Greg Westwood (Laura K needs to reach out to Paula to see if she can develop or provide information)
* Sister Paula
  + Guatemalans had prayer meeting Saturday night and 40 children need sacraments of reconciliation and first Communion; sister is setting up a program for that and asking one parent from each family be here to talk to parents and then they can help with crowd control while Sister instructs parents
  + Guatemalan community is donating money to the parish for use of the hall; want to target replacing ceiling and lighting; parish will subsidize in getting it finished if they fall short; Judy mentioned that lighting will need to be inspected by an electrician; Fr Ivan said it would be certified if needed
* Pete
  + Men’s Group celebrated 17th anniversary with breakfast

Christmas Craft Fair update

* 16 vendors have paid for space
* Last meeting we agree 10/22 was the deadline for crafters and we had a goal of 20 crafters to proceed
* Original contract was for handmade crafters only; Kim took it out unilaterally and will now accept vendors
  + Are we okay with the change if crafters who signed original contract are notified of the change:
    - Judy, Sister Paula say yes
    - Fr Ivan said yes if the vendors are vetted and approved by the small committee
    - We will proceed with the Fair
* Krista said that if vendors do not have stock on hand then customers can’t buy Christmas gifts
* Judy said with vendors it is Christmasy stuff but it might not be available that day and will need to be ordered

Memorial bricks

* Lora F recommends $45 per brick; Fr Ivan says $50 so that we make a small profit
  + Costs: Less than 10 - $25 not installed, $45 installed; Over 10 - $17 not installed; $30 installed
  + Do we want to order bricks with spring installation?
    - Voted yes at $50 per brick
    - Parish will pay for the pastor bricks

Liquor license

* Application is in its final stages; diocesan forms are in process
* Lora F and Mary Carol will meet on forms and what we need to communicate to families who want to provide liquor at events

Gaming license

* Pending completion, not sure if it will be completed before Craft Fair for 50/50

Pete Manczyk

* Online giving
  + Could be a benefit to parish
  + Pete has supported this for years; other pastors didn’t feel like older parishioners would use it; and didn’t want to give away fees to credit card companies
  + Pete looked at 2 vendors Vanco and WeShare
    - Vanco – diocesan preferred vendor; fairly user friendly
      * What do we get if we used diocesan preferred vendor? Do we get any added benefits or cost reductions?
    - WeShare – goes through LPI which is what we use for our website
      * Could be seemless with our website; but actually website could accept anything
      * More robust, fees vary and Pete would like Finance to investigate that
      * Could also be used for ticketing for events or fundraisers
    - Pete will get with Finance Council to look into the details to move forward with exploring online giving

Christmas Dinner for parish leaders

* Social event and recognition
* Fr Ivan wants to recognize those who participate on committees and to honor one of our former pastors Fr Matt who still contributes to the school by maintaining computers
* Others want to open it up to all
  + Fr Ivan thought if we open it up it would be too crowded and some would not want to come especially with COVID
* Sr Paula: If all are invited then it’s not special
* Mary Carol: we need to determine how many would come; would need to target just those in leadership or regular volunteer parishioners
* Mary Carol and Paula Westwood will develop a list and work with Fr Ivan on that
* All teachers and Tom and Robin will be invited

Council Roles and Committees

* Chairperson duties haven’t changed
* Secretary duties haven’t changed
* Maintenance (Mary Carol)
  + Added campus maintenance, finance and fundraising
  + Fundraising is an orphan and really doesn’t belong in Maintenance
* Education and VIRTUS (Judy Dornbush)
  + We are not in compliance with VIRTUS; Father wants to see how many people are volunteering and are not VIRTUS compliant
  + Judy doesn’t want to be the VIRTUS police
  + Fr Ivan wants to schedule 4 VIRTUS trainings here at St Anthony and make it 2 English and 2 Spanish
* Faith Formation/Lay Apostolate (Tobias)
* Caritas, Outreach, ProLife (Laura)
* Liturgy and Worship (Open)
* Hispanic Ministry (Adon)
* Vocations (Sr Paula)

Fr Ivan

* Bishop Iffert is coming to confirm members of Guatemalan community; 11/10, 7 p.m.
* Joan France died today; visitation 10/27, 10 a.m.; funeral at 12 p.m.; Fr Ivan will preside, Fr Hennigen concelebrate
* School roof, went up with Tom and doesn’t think we should worry about it; no immediate concerns
* Seminary Ball, we have a table, invited 7 people to join Fr Ivan: Veronica and Tim Schweitzer, Jim Gerhardt, Kathleen Perkins, Adon and Catelina, Lisa Bottom; Oct 22
* DPAA deficit, talked to Jim and all the people who usually give have already given; we are short $8500;
* Initial report was $300k to fix landslide but Fr Ivan thinks that’s too conservative

Judy motioned to adjourn; Laura seconded it; all were in favor

Father dismissed with prayer