

St Annes Parish Council 3-14-19

Present: Tom Rabaey, Father Chris Shofner, Terry Genelin, Jim Sullivan, Carol Ward, Pam Williams, Dave Pfarr.

Meeting minutes reviewed with two changes. Moved to approve by Terry Genelin, second by Jim Sullivan.

Father Shofner Report:

School principal search underway. Process underway, reviewing applicants, some issues with weather on getting committee together but in process. Father Shofner very pleased with pool of principals that have applied. Job description will be updated. Job interviews possible for last week of March.

Applied for Pace in Prism (20% discount) from Catholic Mutual. Carol Ward thanked Father Shofner for the work in achieving that certification and reducing insurance cost to the St Anne's Parish.

Question regarding Tabernacle move to the center. Still working out some details regarding new seating arrangement for Priest and altar servers.

Update on finances; a bit reduced on Weekend mass giving as of late but not uncommon based on seasonal tendencies. Overall better financial position than last year at this time. Discussed communication to keep all parishioners engaged in status of parish finances.

Review of St Anne Sunday Bulletin. General favorable comments. Bulletin is getting longer with more to read. Better update on Stewardship and finances. Discussion regarding address to congregation regarding update on finances and status compared to last year.

Discussion regarding Flock Notes. Positive comments to date. Comments reviewed and entered by Tess at the Parish Office and reviewed if needed by Father Shofner.

Organization Chart. Review of categories; Parish Trustees, School, Ministerial, Service Organizations, Organizations Outside of St Annes. Will need to clarify questions regarding responsibilities (building/maintenance, Lawn Care, Snow Removal)

Pictorial Directory. Parishioner Photo Shoot week of May 14<sup>th</sup> (evenings) and week of June 11<sup>th</sup> (afternoon/evening). Sign up at St Anne's Church Website [www.stanneschurchlesueur.org](http://www.stanneschurchlesueur.org). Additional time for sign up after upcoming weekend mass services.

Stewardship Gala fundraising event October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Horning's property in Jessenland township, Sibley Co.

Brief update on buildings and grounds. Snow pile on church parking lot examined and left as is.

Discussion of Parish Council Election Process. Beginning of April assemble list of candidates and begin advertising in bulletin. Father sends letter to each person requesting consideration of

becoming a candidate. Tess at office will take care of sending letters after she receives a list. Try to have all applications in place by last week of May. Parish voting at mass or at parish office in June. Suggestion to look at past list of candidates and request another application. Short brainstorming session on possible candidates.

Roundtable: Thankfulness for our Parish and reality that other Churches and denominations may have similar issues. Placing Parish Council minutes on website. Question on receiving both species at Mass and policy.

Next meeting scheduled April 11<sup>th</sup>

Closing prayer by Father Shofner

Adjournment by Terry Genelin and second by Jim Sullivan.