

Holy Rosary Parish Council Minutes

October 4th, 2023

6:15 PM Desimone Hall

X Father Joseph	X Michael Peterman	X Kathy Garoutte	JoEllyn Storz
X Connie Dropp	X Tom Herricks	X Rob Hayden	Laura Burnett Shoemaker
X Emily Selovich	X Carol Zumpano	Dominic Lenci	X Thomas Borchardt

1. Father Joe, did opening prayers
2. Minutes reviewed and approved by Kathy, second by Tom Herricks

Committee/Council Reports

1. **Administrators Report – Father Joseph**

- The Opening Strategic Planning meeting went well. Decent amount of people attended HR Processions October 8th, 2023, from St Peters to HR
- HR Pastoral Council Moved to Nov 8th
- Saint Joseph icons coming back Oct 25th to Oct 30th
- More young families looking to join the parish and put students into All Saints Catholic School
- Wanting to give back to Ruffalo's II for all the work they did for hosting our Strategic Planning Meet and Greet

2. **Finance Committee - Tom Herricks**

- Festival income is reported to be near budget.
- Discussed questions around cash management.
- Office staff are looking into a cash management program to put our money to work for us
- Comparing July-August 2023 vs July-August 2022, parish evenlops are up \$6,000 and total contributions are up \$6,000
- Team discussed process for funding requests Love One Another Financial Needs
- No current needs/requests
- Office received a report of all pledges from the archdiocese and balanced financials with the archdiocese.
- The endowment board met last night to discuss investment strategy. They met with investment advisor John Mitchel. They discussed the need for a higher return than in previous years.
- The endowment board discussed separating income and putting it into the operating budget.

Holy Rosary Parishes Q/A, Open Concerns Section

Saint Vincent DePaul lead members talked about the following activities

- Run the Coat Drive
- Run the Sock Drive
- Run the Linens Drive
- Help with request and people needing personal hygiene items
- Right now, looking to get newer members
- Having a large number of requests for personal care and home items

3. Buildings and Grounds – Tom Herricks

- Put a hold on Air conditioning in the convent, they are looking at other options
- Shelly is working to build a relationship with the school and asked the board for ideas on how to grow that relationship.
- Team discussed how to handle Capital Costs from the school.
- JoEllyn told the team that the Strategic Planning committee is looking at ways to enhance revenue.
- Group discussed the role of the finance committee and its role of supporting the Strategic Planning Committee versus the role of increasing revenue

4. Prayer + Worship - Emily Selovich

- Memorare as Novena and for Parish revitalization
- Started Sept 28th and Oct 6th
- Decided out of concern for Choir Members that Rosary and Benediction to be shortened in length
- Choir changed their meeting date to Monday and that caused a small issue with First October Devotions
- Prayer and Worship Binder all completed and approved in the Sacristy
- Mass on Jan 1st 9:00 AM
- Next Meeting is on Thursday Jan 11th, 2023, in DeSimone Hall

5. Human Concerns – Kathy and Carole

- Served 70 dinners
- Working with the Giving Circle which will start Dec 13th.
- Food Drive will be in November
- Giving Circle Toy Drive will be the whole October

Meeting adjourned by 7:00 PM for Parish Strategic Planning, our next meeting will be at 6:15 PM on November 1st in DeSimone Hall

Respectfully submitted
Michael J. Peterman