



Church of the Japanese Martyrs

Administrative Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 - 7:00 pm

Minutes

- A. Call to Order/Opening Prayer – *Led by Fr. Steffl. Present: Deb Windschitl, Rita Pyan, Fr. Steffl, Fr. Perez, Fr. Tanner, Matt Grausam, Randy Lax, Ronda Mathiowetz, Jamie Pietig, Chad Sprenger, Arla Dockter, Jim Hillesheim.*
- B. Review
 - 1. Review/Approval of Agenda – *M/S/A*
 - 2. Review/Approval of Minutes – *M/S/A*
 - 3. Review Financial/Approval of Financial Reports – *Matt Grausam reviewed. Sunday collections are behind \$8500.00 from last year. M/S/A*
- C. Updates/Maintenance
 - 1. Church – *updates: lift is still working; Norbert Pershon will do wood flooring in sanctuary at a reduced rate and the rest of the carpet will be cleaned. Flat roof on garage between church and rectory will need to be fixed.*
 - 2. Office – *snakes are living under the steps.*
 - 3. School – *nothing new. A home school group may use the school again this fall.*
 - 4. Rectory – *nothing new.*
 - 5. Cemetery Board – *work to be done when things slow down.*
 - 6. Farm Board – *would like to have some trees taken down in the fall.*
- D. Area Faith Community/AFC events/Evangelization & Catechesis
 - 1. Religious Education – *Server's trip to Valley Fair is June 21. Ralyn Krebs, Bristol Nachreiner and Rose Pietig made their 1st Communion on May 7. Gearing up for Totus Tuus at St. Mary's in June.*
- E. Old Business
 - 1. Storage garage – *new overhead door is here and ready to install.*
 - 2. Parish Festival – *gambling & liquor permits in process; raffle donations coming in. Meal price will be \$15; Mass at 10am on Sunday; Pedal Pull at 2pm; Committee will be calling parishioners to make sure there will be enough help to run the festival.*
- F. New Business
 - 1. Merger with St. Mary's – *Bishop will be here Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30pm. JM administrative council will continue to meet at least through the end of the calendar year. A maintenance committee should be established; cemetery and farm boards would remain. JM assets and any fundraising funds will be used for care and maintenance of JM. The JM trustees will continue for now. Fr. Steffl would like to have 2 JM members on the St. Mary's council. The legal paperwork for the merger could take up to a year.*
- G. Pastor's Comments – *The 8pm Saturday evening Mass time will stay the same.*
- H. Announcements: *Next meeting Tuesday July 18, 2023 at 7pm.*
- I. Closing Prayer – *Glory Be*
- J. Adjournment – *8pm. Submitted by Deb Windschitl pending council approval.*