

Minutes from the 5/8/2018 Parish Council Cluster Meeting

All members were present except for Janet Bills and Doug Speck.

New potential members:

- Julie Uhlenhake,
- Brenda Barhorst
- Holly Gast
- Deb Kremer
- Shaun Everman
- Craig Miller
- Steve Knapke
- Eric Muhlenkamp

Retiring members:

- Joan Uhlenhake
- Lisa Moeller
- Eric Koesters
- Jim Lefeld

Finance Commission

Pat Ontrop presented the budget for FY 18/19

Regarding 1 Faith, 1 Hope, 1 Love, we received 97% of the pledge amount the first year, and 79% of the pledge amount the second year. The committee is budgeting for 74% this year. Pat asked that we need to be sure we allocate funds for the parking lot as this was one of the primary expenditures identified for this fund.

A question was asked regarding funding for a full-time youth minister if we cannot fill the part-time position; this will be addressed as needed but is not included in the budget. The concern was also raised from council regarding the future position of CCD Center Administrator while also performing the role of Youth Minister. Many felt that this might be difficult for the same person to manage both. A suggestion was made that an individual could possibly teach CCD Classes while fulfilling the role of Youth Minister? Parish Council agreed that this needs to be a full-time position sooner than later.

Also discussed funds available to the youth and are there additional funds for youth available but not budgeted. It was indicated that there are funds in the budget for youth and that additional funds could be requested on a case by case basis. The Finance Commission was asked if additional funds could be budgeted for youth but Sue Nietfeld advised this would need approval from Father as it affects the cluster and not just the St. Henry Parish. The Youth Commission was advised that if these needs arose that they should add it to the agenda of the next Parish Council meeting and hopefully Father can attend.

There was also a request for clarification on donations and that they cannot be directed toward one person. They can be directed to a specific cause/need but not to one person as understood by Pat.

Salary increases of 2.2% were passed. Proposed Budget for 18/19 was passed; the approved budget is from July 1 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Discussion of a Youth Minister continued. Youth Committee feels they need more input to help understand what is needed or what the kids need, what might engage the youth and bring back enjoyable activities. It was expressed to the council that the Youth Committee got the feeling that their opinions did not matter and were not being considered. The search committee does not include Parish Council Reps from each parish or from the Youth Commission. Carmen offered to speak with Father Jim and Father Bill regarding this.

Director of Music Ministry-to provide a common direction across the cluster, need a selection committee, they would like a representative from each parish council or a suggested member of the parish, suggested Elaine Broering be considered for the committee to represent Saint Henry.

Steeple Chase Funds-\$300 donated to St. Henry Parish. Council decided to donate funds to the Mission Commission. Steeple Chase will be June 30 with 7 am pre-registration and 8-11 ride. They will need volunteers.

Live Nativity-Final Quote \$5,201.59 includes shipping, included in the package is the Holy Family, 3 Kings, 2 Shepherds, Gloria Angel, Resting Camel, Donkey, Ox, 2 Lambs, Hen from Christmas Nights Inc. It was suggested that it be well lit. K of C offered to buy a shed to store. Lisa Moeller will advise how big the shed needs to be. We may need additional 6 to 8 beams. Approval was given to purchase the statues

Education Commission

- Enrollments coming in for the fall classes
- Virtus importance was discussed
- 2 new televisions are being ordered as well as cables to hook-up laptops
 - We will have one for each room
- Would like to have one additional laptop

Mission Commission

- Brunerdale Grant
 - local or Haiti needs
 - up to \$5,000
- Molly B. and Ted Lange will perform a Romer's again on 12/13/18
- Request to use funds from the Mission Exchange Program Fund to bring Fr. DeGamps (sp?) and an interpreter from Haiti here to meet Fr. Bill and Fr. Jim.
- Steeple Chase
 - June 30, 2018 coinciding with the Community Picnic
 - Pre-Registration starts at 7 AM
 - Ride is from 8-11 AM
 - Volunteers are needed

Building and Grounds

Youth

Worship

- Purpose established.
- Core Team Members have been selected
 - 8 additional members
- Servers will start wearing robes on 5/20/18, Pentecost Sunday
- They will also start ringing the bells at consecration.

Next meeting-June 12-tentative

Suggestion for One Faith, One Hope, One Love donation to be discussed might be to the Retreat Center in Montezuma. Add this to the agenda for next meeting. Kim Z. will solicit for suggestions.