

Holy Cross
Parish Council Minutes of January 9, 2014

Meeting was opened with a prayer at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Fr. Ralph, Greg Mueller, Cindy Voigt, Leanne Donnay, Len Voigt, Amanda Steichen, Al Haus, Ann Donnay, Donna Gregory, Lois Lenzmeier, Rich Schlangen,
Absent: Helen Krippner,

ROUTINE MATTERS

- A. Minutes-will be approved at next meeting
- B. Agenda approved
- C. Financial report approved-Amanda went over school finances. Church budget-doing well now over the holidays. Garbage expense-checking into other companies to try and cut cost.

OPEN SESSION:

Mark Barter was her to present results from the Parish Vibrancy. He said it is important to do annual assessments on different areas such as Faith Formation, music ministry, etc. Could do better at evangelizing. Suggested working with Cathy Langer from the diocese to help draw in those who have felt alienated from the church. He suggested taking time to look over the results and pick 2-3 areas to focus on in the next couple of years.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Parish Vibrancy-completed
- B. Tri-Parish Council or Cluster Council-Fr. Ralph asked for 1 volunteer from Finance Council and 2 from Parish Council for this.
- C. Cemetery Report-nothing to report at this time.
- D. Stewardship Committee-to promote Time, Talent and Treasure. There are materials available to help in this area. Time and Talent census was completed and compiled, but we whould look at contacting those that volunteered in new areas.
- E. Building Committee Update-nothing to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Parade License-Rudy will take care of getting the license for the St. Patrick's Day Parade
- B. Signs at Ballpark-Tommy Linn presented to the board a request to post ad banners at on the ball parks fences as a fundraiser for the rec club. The money raised would be used to improve dugouts, concession stand cooler and repairs to both fields. Parish council approved.

REPORTS:

- A. School Board: Amanda reported potential enrollment numbers for next year. Open House/Family Movie Night-Sat. Jan 25th as the kick-off of Catholic Schools Week. Activities throughout the week ending with the Chili/Soup Cook-off. The 2nd get together with St. Wendelin's will also take place that week. Holy Cross students will be making blankets for New Beginnings also. Amanda is only in office on Wednesdays, since she is subbing for Mrs. Drontle, therefore not much time is being spent on grant writing.
- B. Father Ralph: Bishop met with parish leadership regarding Fr. Mark. It is unknown what is happening at this time.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Stewardship Committee, Cemetary Update, Parish Vibrancy Results, Steeple Lighting

NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, March 13th, at 7:30 p.m.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 9:06 p.m.