

**Minutes of the
St. Wendelin's Parish Council Meeting
May 17, 2018, 7:30 pm
St. Wendelin's Mary Hall**

Members Present: Charlie Dombrowski, Keith Koltas, Paul Koshiol, Kevin Lommel, Char Volkmuth, Joe Watrin, Fr. Ron Weyrens

Members Absent: Dan Greenwald

Guests Present: Susan Becker, Jeanne Lommel

I. Opening Prayer

Char Volkmuth led the opening prayer with the council members.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded and passed.

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2018 and April 26, 2018 meetings. Motion was seconded and passed.

IV. Standing Committee Reports

A. School

Susan Becker reported to the council on the success of the Carnival/Open House. Enrollment in K-5 has been increased and the School Advisory Council is hoping to add a Tuesday, Thursday Preschool Program offering to the already-existing Monday, Wednesday, Friday Preschool Program. The School Advisory Council is adding four committees: Finance, Fundraising, Curriculum and Student Recruitment/Retention. Each of these committees will have a representative from the School Advisory Council and volunteers from the parish community. Susan asked the Parish Council if our school parking lot could be used as a drop off point for the Kimball school district. Discussion followed regarding this possibility. Members all agreed that the St. Wendelin's parking lot could be used as a drop off and asked Susan to go forward with pursuing this concept.

B. March and April Financial Reports

Jeanne Lommel presented the March and April financial reports to the council. Jeanne also reported on the Endowment Fund, the interest amounts available in the three categories and how the Finance Council will be using those monies. Brief discussion followed. Motion was made to approve the March and April Financial Reports. Motion was seconded and passed.

C. Faith Formation

Fr. Ron shared on the Baccalaureate Masses that will be held this coming weekend.

D. Maintenance

Paul Koshiol updated the council on several maintenance projects. The tuckpointing has begun and is proceeding in a timely fashion. The Finance Council approved the purchase of a new lawn mower. The blacktop cracks will be filled in with no expense to the parish. The concrete slab on the north side of the church needs to be removed and replaced to improve the slant of the slab. The down spouts of the current gutters need to be reshaped. Paul explained that another storage container is needed to store items used infrequently. Kevin Lommel will look into the cost of this item. The placing of a bench in the back cemetery was discussed and tabled until the next meeting.

V. Old Business

A. Election Results

Charlie Dombrovski reported on the election results. Tracy Dombrovski has accepted the appointment and will be starting as the newly elected council member. The council thanked Charlie for his hard work on the council.

B. By-Laws

Char distributed the proposed by-laws to the council for their review. The proposed by-laws were discussed by the council in detail. Changes were made during this review process and a final copy was arrived at. Motion was made to approve the by-laws with the changes agreed upon. Motion was seconded and passed. Char will make the agreed upon changes to the by-laws.

VI. Pastoral Planning

Fr. Ron asked for suggestions from the council on how we can better respond to the spiritual and pastoral needs of the parish. Members discussed ideas which included; youth activities, choir and musicians, continuance of the student Mass. This question will be revisited for further input.

VII. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm. The next meeting will be held on August 16, 2018.

VIII. Closing Prayer

Fr. Ron led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen DesAutels
Recording Secretary