

Minutes of the St. Maurice Advisory Board Meeting of March 12th, 2019

Attendance: Fr. Leon Susaimanickam, Kathy Perlitz, Dorli Cloutier, Lou Cloutier, Janusz Herasimowicz, Bonnie Benevides, Amie Tillmann, Patty C., Richard Carpenter, Bill Hebert, Anna Czerowy, Jeff Monroe, Wendy Burke.

Excused: Tom Manning, Maryann Murphy, Mike Harney, Anthony Girasoli, Sharon Scorso.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm. All joined in with a prayer.
2. Faith Formation report was given by Amie Tillmann.
 - A) She discussed having a celebration for the Confirmation Class on April 7th. She wanted to make sure of the availability of the Parish Center. It was determined that the Parish Center was not being used and the date she wanted would work.
 - B) Confirmation Class will be confirmed on April 13th in Norwich.
 - C) First Reconciliation & First Communion is scheduled for May 4th & May 5th.
3. Financial report was given by Kathy Perlitz, since Mike Harney was not present.
 - A) He had briefed Kathy by phone and told her as of February we are \$5000.00-\$6,000.00 behind from last year. Collections are not keeping up with the finances of the Parish, which is very disappointing.
 - B) Due to finance issue, Kathy posed the question of the Flower Envelope Donations (Christmas & Easter) at how the money was spent. Father Leon said that the Caring of the Flower Commission takes care of this. After a long discussion it was determined that we need to talk to this Commission to resolve how much is spent on the flowers & see if the remaining can be used for the Parish as a Seasonal Donation. It was decided to post a note in the bulletin that would explain this to the Parishioners at how the flower money is being spent.
4. Property Management Report was given by Lou Cloutier.
 - A) There was an issue with the lock going into the Parish. Lou mentioned that he had already scheduled the contractor who installed to come look at it to see what needs to be done.
 - B) Water softener issue in the Rectory needs to have a designated dry well for the discharge. This will be done when the weather permits by a parishioner's family member at a greatly reduced price.
 - C) Leak over the stove hood in the Parish Center. Work will be done when weather is permitting.
 - D) Windows for the Parish Center to be installed, with some of the Fair Groups Money Raised. Will be done when weather is permitting.
5. Other issues Discussed
 - A) Kathy Perlitz mentioned Anthony Girasoli would no longer be able to sign the Health Dept. Inspection report. It was mentioned that maybe someone from the Fellowship Commission could take on this responsibility.
 - B) Rich Carpenter of the Biblical Commission Reported that we had a good turn out on the Book Review of "The Biggest Lie in the history of Christianity" that was held on January 27th.
 - C) Rich Carpenter also reported that the Annual Catholic Appeal is coming up and that we will have a film at Mass to show the Parishioners. He said that we would like to get Parishioners to fill out their commitments at this Mass.
 - D) Patty C. spoke about the Bible Study Group that had started in June of 2016 and mentioned that it was very fulfilling for her. She recommended all should consider joining.
 - E) Dorli Cloutier reported that the gifts for the Giving Tree at Christmas would need to be in by December 14. Also, that the Christmas Celebration date will be determined at a later date.
 - F) Jeff Monroe reported that the Liturgical Commission would be meeting on March 18th to basically get together. Some of the topics: Recruiting/Training, Progress towards Fr. Leon year's goal: Re-evangelization and an open discussion.
6. The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm, the next meeting will be held on April 9th, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by,
Wendy Burke
Secretary of the Liturgical Commission