

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of June 12, 2012

Attendance: Fr. Wojciech Pelczarski, Kathy Perlitz, Ron Massimino, Janusz Herasimowicz, Sharon Snuffer, Tom Manning, Jonathan Van Dine, and Patti Cinea.

The meeting opened with prayer at 7:05 p.m.

The following agenda was discussed:

1. Minutes from the meeting in May were reviewed with one change. Add **Social Media** as an agenda topic. Therefore, the corrected minutes read, **#8 Social Media:** Public relation venues include Facebook, Twitter, and the parish website. The minutes then were accepted.
2. **Faith Formation:** The office has received thus only two registration forms for the 2012-2013 session. Registration is ongoing; however, the deadline for registering without incurring a late fee is June 30th. It is most helpful for registration forms to be submitted early to allow ample time for preparation for next year's program. Suggestions made were to consider handing out registration forms 2 weeks prior to the last day of classes. Expectation would be that completed forms for next year would be returned by the last day of class. Other avenues to help parents complete and forward these forms in a timely manner might entail an email reminder, a notice included into the bulletin, and the ability to register online.
3. Tom will contact Josh Meyers to firm up plans for the back walkway Eagle Scout Project.
4. **Finance:** Upcoming expenditures include the changing of the siding and soffits under the Rectory roof. No cost statements have been received with regards to repairing cracks in the asphalt parking lot.
5. **Property Management:** Correspondence via email from the Cloutiers included that letters expressing gratitude, signed by Father Wojciech and Lou, have been forwarded to some of the vendors who have completed work on parish property. These letters acknowledged vendors who provided donations or discounts in their service or supplies. Father has met with a company who will begin sealing cracks in the asphalt parking lot. The front of the Parish Hall will be power washed and repainted. Doors and windows will be weather-stripped.
6. **Pastoral Restructuring:** Areas addressed during May 8th's meeting included looking at areas of collaboration between the parishes. Areas identified may include a shared RCIA process, youth group/activities, joint venture with missions, penance services, team coverage of communion rounds at Rockville Hospital, and catechetical programs for children and adults. Subcommittees for the above are being identified. Tom was identified as a point person for St. Maurice due to his coordination of the Senior Youth Group. The other parishes do not have a junior youth group. How does St. Maurice fit into this equation? This parish is still operating outside a cluster; however, it is expected to be involved in areas of collaboration with the cluster. We provide communion round coverage to Rockville Hospital on Thursdays. How will our youth groups participate with others in the cluster? What are trends? Models of youth groups were explored.
7. **Facility Usage:** The church office has moved from the Rectory to the former Faith Formation office. The phone system is still perplexing and will need remediation.
8. **Social Media:** Social media includes the parish website, Facebook and Twitter. Fully operational now is the ability to submitted offertory gifts on line via the parish website. Payments can be calculated. Advertisements for this new venture include posters placed in the Church vestibules and bulletin. The 2012-2013 parish calendar of events has been posted on line. New events will be added as they emerge. Question considered--should the Pictorial Directory be made available on line?
9. **Bingo:** 98 people attended last night's activity. The door prize of a television, with good, strong advertising, helped in increasing the attendance. Bingo will stay on Monday evenings. The variety of foods offered has received positive feedback.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Cinea