

**ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

November, 2017, Meeting began at 6:30 pm and ended at 7:55pm.

In Attendance:	Absent:
Fr. Ray McHenry	Anne Franzen
Chris Doud	Fr. Andrew Windschitl
Garrett Hill	Nikki Snyder
Joe Koenigs	
Larry Johnson	
Bonnie Dickson	
Dave Dirks	
Rick Schraeger	
Gary Goodhall	
DeAnn Howard	

**I. Opening Prayer:** Prayer for Our Pastor

**II. Approval of Agenda & Prior Meeting Minutes**

- o Motion to approve Agenda: Gary Goodhall; Second: Joe Koenigs. Passed: Unanimous.
- o Motion to approve Minutes: Gary Goodhall; Second: Rick Schraeger. Passed: Unanimous.

**III. Spotlight – School August**

- o **Date: November 11<sup>th</sup>.** Chris Doud briefed us on the school auction. Tickets are still on sale.

**IV. Pastoral Update**

- o Annual Diocesan Appeal – current \$80,000 short fall. Follow-up letters from the pastor will be sent the week of November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- o Jess Streit and Christen Cota came back from Rome for a Special Needs Conference. They met the Pope. Both Fr. Ray and the Council members expressed their support and gratitude of and for such a strong outreach towards parishoners with special needs.
- o Bishop will be at the parish for Confirmation November 3-4.
- o Fr. Ray will start to advertise the position of business manager.
- o The Youth Group will be going to NCYC on November 17<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis.
- o Fr. Ray will take initial steps to hire an administrative assistant to the Pastor, communications director and parish business manager.

**V. New Business**

- o Staff is prepared for Advent. The theme is “Preparing for Perfect Joy.”

**VI. Liaison Reports**

- o Buildings and Grounds – Dave Dirks: They are looking at shingling the roof. The safety committee is working on an evacuation drill for the worship space.
- o Communications: Bonnie Dickson: The director continues to update the website and make it user-friendly. They are looking to expand FrancisFest to appeal to more in the age group of 11-18.
- o Board of Education – Chris Doud: See meeting minutes.
- o Faith Formation Council: Rich Schraeger – Confirmation has 139 students. See handout.
- o Finance Council – Gary Goodhall: They appointed a subcommittee to write the parish financial report. Gary handed out the September numbers. September tithing is down – possibly due to the many opportunities to give to hurricane relief.
- o Worship and Spirituality – DeAnn Howard: The committee meets every other month.

**VII. Closing Prayer** led by Chris Doud.

**VIII. UPCOMING DATES: Next Meeting: December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Bravo.**

Minutes submitted by Larry Johnson