ST. PETER THE FISHERMAN
PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES
April 26, 2018

Present: Carole Anhalt, Ellen Gelhar, Denise Gesch, Jim LaFond, Jerry Levanetz, Fr. Tom, Tim Schroeder, Collette Tegen

Not Present: Steve Becker, Ann Dier, Patrick Gagnon

Call to Order: Collette Tegen called the meeting to order with a prayer at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: Motion to approve by Jim LaFond, seconded by Jerry Levanetz.

Minutes: Motion to approve by Ellen Gelhar, seconded by Carole Anhalt.

Old Business

Sunday Supper – Because of the Knights of Columbus breakfast on Sunday, we will meet Saturday morning, May 5, to do the meal preparation. Each council member will bring a pan of bars or cookies on Sunday for dessert. We will start cooking the meal around noon on Sunday, May 6. Everyone should arrive around 3 p.m. to help set up and serve. Ellen is coordinating the supper arrangements.

Secretary-Trustee – Nominations will be taken at all masses the weekend of May 5/6. Tim Schroeder will be on the ballot again. Election will be the weekend of May 19/20.

Parish Council Members – Nominations will be taken at all masses the weekend of May 5/6. Three members will be selected the weekend of May 19/20. Collette, Ellen, and Jerry will call those nominated to see if they will accept. Lisa Taddy contacts nominees for Secretary Trustee.

Committee Reports

Worship/Ministry: Because of the cost, the computer in church will not be hardwired at this time. We need more AV ministers to cover absences. Ashes were offered at noon on Ash Wednesday this year and about 53 people came. We should offer a short service for this instead of just distributing ashes. Jon will work on a better way to keep track of what is done each year for liturgies. This would be on the computer so all who need to can access the information. Holy Week went well though Holy Thursday wasn't well attended. Due to its popularity, Jon is looking into holding quarterly Taizé services.

Education: No report. Collette has contacted Carla Isselman, the parish rep at St. Francis for information in the past and has not received a report. Bill Kiel is the rep at Roncalli and Collette will contact him. She will also check with Lisa to make sure we have the proper contacts.

Stewardship: No report.

Vocations: Frank Birr will be ordained as a deacon on May 12. He will serve our parish and at Roncalli. He will preach his first time on May 20. Fr. Maurice is leaving and is hoping to remain in the diocese but has no assignment yet.

Building and Grounds: There is still a crack in the link. A.C.E. is looking at the water problem in the link. Jim will talk to Lisa about contacting Seiler for an estimate to fix the north entrance of the parking lot. A meeting is scheduled with Schaus for a consultation on updating the heating system in the older building. We have an estimate of $150 – 200,000 from LeClair Bros. for a forced air replacement option. Money will be taken from investments to pay for the new heating system. The church temperature is too warm and could be lowered for comfort.

Catholic Men's Organization: There is a meeting on May 10, and they are hosting Sunday Supper on May 20.
Catholic Women's Organization: The rummage sale made about $3,000. St. Vincent de Paul offered the use of their dumpster for items not sold that weren't worth keeping.
Personnel: The parish is currently negotiating a job description, etc. with Dawn Boren to work as Elder Care. She is an LPN and recently moved to Two Rivers and the parish.
Finance: The committee discussed the possibility of using a $16,000 weekly budget at some point in the future. Collections are stable for now except for the blizzard weekend. Some savings have been approved to be used for additional expenses if needed and to cover a cash flow shortage. Most of parish students' tuition at St. Francis and Roncalli was paid from the Endowment Fund.

Planning Process

Foster Fellowship: The Supper Club has been a wonderful idea especially for new parishioners to feel welcome. It is small but hopes to grow in the fall.
Weekend Experience: The first weekend of the month will resume being a Welcome Weekend. Lisa will be available in the Gathering Space after each mass on the first weekend for anyone wishing to join the parish or to answer questions.

New Business

It was suggested that the Council consider meeting every other month as other parishes do. For those who do not have access to computers, it was suggested that the minutes of the Pastoral Council, Worship Committee, and Finance Committee be available on a table at the parish office.

Pastor's Report

The parish will have a sendoff for Fr. Maurice the weekend of June 16/17. His sendoff in Cooperstown and Kellnersville will be June 30/July 1.

The parish team is discussing the mass schedule with Fr. Maurice leaving. Monday and Tuesday 8 a.m. will be a communion service. The mass on Tuesday will be at 6 p.m. There will be an 8 a.m. mass on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

Community Climate

There is an investor interested in the Suettinger property but there is a good possibility that there is soil contamination from the Hamilton property.

The next meeting will be June 7 at 6:30 p.m. This will take the place of the May 24 and June 28 meetings originally scheduled.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carole Anhalt and seconded by Jerry Levanetz. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Gesch, Secretary