

**Our Lady of the Rosary
Parish Council Monthly Meeting Minutes**

Date: 3/15/07

In Attendance: Karen Saxbury, Catie Blum, Karen Williams, Mark Young, Mike Schweitzer, Bryan Hoffman, Mark Young, Jay Bruns, and Gail North

Also in attendance: Bob Crowley and Kathy Klich

Karen opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes were approved.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Pastor's Report: Bob reported in Fr. Charlie's absence.

- Fr. Charlie continues his involvement at SBCS, and taught religion classes all day 3/9/07!
- The constitution for SBCS continues to be worked on within the fall, 2007, time table.
- There will be a regional penance service March 27.
- Regarding St. James Wyoming: 1) Fr. Bowes and Fr. Faye could be pastors. 2) The parish could be open listed. 3) The bishop could simply choose a priest for the parish. The sense is that there will be an open listing.
- We've initiated a process for adult Catholics who have not been confirmed. A number of folks may be confirmed in the Faith and one baptized at Easter.
- Registration at SBCS continues well.

Finance/Business:

Budget

- '07-'08 preliminary prepared. Due to 5% increase in health care, parish employees will change to Anthem.

Time Capsules

- It is being considered to open them at the 50 year mark instead of 100 years.

School and Building

- Home school doing well. They noticed some "dirt" issues which are being addressed with Scarlet & Gray.

Cafeteria

- Chair lift - \$4000. Ramps not as impractical as once thought.
- Mike Schweitzer preparing a report.
- Building Use Group has been communicating. Four biggest repair issues: gutters, library leakage, fan motor repair, carpet in first floor rooms.

Tuition collection

- OLR will be collecting tuition instead of TMS.
- Increase projected at \$100 for K-8

- Tuition would be \$2200 if paid by July 15, or \$2400 per year.
- Monthly statements. Finance charges?
- ACH (automatic withdrawal) possible
- Mailing with payment options and PSAS forms – April 3
- Tuition aid—has been \$12,000 per year. Will be \$8500 this year.

Census/Guide Book/Survey

- Census out April 15. Mailed April 24.
- Phone calls end of May, early June.

Budget maintenance items

- Furnace - \$5M; gutters - \$2M; siding - \$6M; window cleaning - ?

Payroll & Fringes

- New vendor. Begins 3/15. Church now on direct deposit.

Tech Coordinator

- Clare Towle has done a fine job. Will be “part time” as of 3/15 (eight hours a week), Webmaster and maintenance on system.

Music Minister

- Part time seems to be the most appropriate long-term plan. 3 musicians.
- Search committee has two people to interview
- About \$25,000 personnel cost

Consolidated School

- 52 students enrolled including K.
- 497 in school vs. 562 this year
- 5 families not re-enrolled. All fine. Will contact. Space is a problem, 3rd grade
- OLR third on the list. One new student from Corpus Christi. Three new students from St. John’s
- Mrs. Carver acknowledges a “gap” year.

Fish Fry

- Highest count in attendance ever.
- Highest sales.
- Thanks to all who helped will be in the bulletin.
- Learning experience. Changes next week. See what happens.

Pro Shopper

- There will be a statement last bulletin of the month
- Little problem getting data. Issue addressed again.
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Elections

- Nominations March 24 & 25. Elections May 5 & 6. (Nominations form was passed out.)

Name Change Team

- Several papers were passed out concerning the name change for SBCS and the proposed dates for agenda.
- Form shown that would be passed out to those who would vote for the new name.

Education: (See above.)

Evangelization Report:

New Life Retreats

- Summer of 2007, July 13-15, July 21, at OLR
- This fall, an evening series is being considered beginning 9/19/07 and ending November 17, 2007.
- Dayton (Incarnation Parish) New Life Retreat now finished—went well!
- Holy Angels in Dayton is possibly interested.

Small Church Communities

- The new Sector Shepherd is Bill Cardwell.
- At All Shepherds Meeting, Bill Sirbu presented his vision for the SCC's and conducted a needs assessment.
- SCC's to host the Fish Fry on 3/30/07.
- The Kids Serve Spaghetti Dinner was successful, and a full house! All money earned will be donated to inner city services.

Life's Journey Parish Mission with Fr. Tom Allender, S.J.

- Outreach campaign started.
- Press releases sent out.
- Will be here 4/23-25 and 4/30-May 2/2007
- Parish Council volunteers will be assisting with the set-up/break down on April 25.
- A.M. sessions are also being offered.

Coffee Talks

- Coffee Talk will be March 25, 10:15 – 11:15 a.m. with a speaker on Darfur, Africa. Babysitting will be offered.

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OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

- May 5 has been set aside for the OLR Graduation dinner hosted by Parish Council.
- Brian brought up possibilities for the Bid and Buy Booth to auction, such as a reserved space in the parking lot for Mass.
- Kathy suggested that a committee be formed for the 50th Anniversary Party.
- Mike mentioned that there's a parishioner who wants to make matching slip covers for the furniture. This issue will be revisited.
- Gail asked when we might expect a new Parish Directory. Bob said it would be after the census is taken.

Karen closed the meeting with a prayer. **The next meeting will be on April 20 at 7:30 in the PAC.**