Parish Pastoral Council May 11, 2023 7:00 PM

Attendees:			
Present	Name	Present	Name
\boxtimes	Father Tom Fangman	\boxtimes	Mandy Busch
	Mike Rasmussen	\boxtimes	Vicki Payton
\boxtimes	Charles Olson		Dan Hanus
\boxtimes	John Beacom	\boxtimes	Michelle Kieny
\boxtimes	Deb Gustafson	\boxtimes	Nicole Vossen
\boxtimes	Brian Krejci		Mike Gawley
\boxtimes	Zach Lubeck	\boxtimes	Ed Boos

Opening:

Fr. Tom Fangman:

Opening prayer.

Review of minutes from the previous meeting:

PPC Notes from April - approved.

Committee/Staff Updates

<u>Faith Formation:</u> Mandy Busch provided an update on current and upcoming Faith Formation activities for all age groups. Please contact the Parish office for a complete list of Faith Formation updates.

New Parish Staff: On July 1st, the Parish will welcome Fr. Andy Phan from Hartington, NE.

There will be a farewell celebration for Fr. Stack after the 9:30am and 11:00am Masses on June 25th.

Fr. Gary Ostrander will move to the retirement home for priests. He will remain a part of the St. Patrick's community.

Pastoral Planning:

Comments and feedback from the Archdiocese are still pending.

New School Staff: No updates at this time.

<u>School Advisory Board:</u> (Brian) – The group did not meet this month. There will be an end of year dinner get together on May 16th. The next school advisory board meeting will be held in August.

Athletics: No updates at this time.

<u>Finance Committee:</u> (John) – The decline in Sunday Offerings and potential reasons for this shortfall continue to receive high attention at the finance committee meetings and in finalizing the budget for the upcoming FY 2023-24. The parish cash position is sufficient to cover the decline in Sunday offerings.

The 2023-24 Budget has been finalized. It is an \$8.6 million operating budget. The budget shows a deficit for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Finance Committee is forming a plan to address the budget deficit going forward. The committee will also consider changing the Parish budget timing to better coincide with the timing of teacher's contract offers by the school. In years past, the Finance Committee has not started its work on the budget prior to the completion of the teacher salary/staff offers. The result of the timing mismatch is that the largest expense item in the parish budget is essentially set before the overall budgeting process has started. This timing mismatch needs to be addressed so that tuition rates and staffing needs can be better planned in the Parish budget.

There will be a 5% increase to school tuition for the 2023/2024 school year.

<u>Home & School:</u> (Nicole) – H&S has recommended a \$10 increase to the annual dues. This would bring Home and School dues to \$35 per year. The vote will take place in August. If passed, this would be the first time dues have increased in several year. The \$100,000 contribution for the library renovation project is now moving ahead. Work will begin right away. The goal is to have much of the renovation completed prior to the start of the new school year.

Men's Club: Fireworks stand will once again be run by the Faith Formation youth group.

Men's Club has donated \$30,000 to support additional school security, playground improvements and concrete repairs around the facility.

Items for discussion and planning

New Church Update:

Groundbreaking ceremony will be Sunday June 4th immediately following the 11:00am Mass. Archbishop Lucas will celebrate the 11:00am Mass. Bus transportation will be available. Parishioners are invited to bring a Ziploc baggie of dirt from their yard to include in the groundbreaking ceremony as a symbolic gesture to include the entire St. Patrick's community. A reception will follow in the Aspen Lane Activity Center Cafeteria.

Library Renovation Project:

Funding for the Library STEM renovation has been secured. Thanks to generous donors, the project will move ahead. The timeline for completion is forthcoming.

Parish Elections:

Elections for new Parish Council leadership are complete. The committee welcomes Ed Boos and Zach Lubeck to the PPC. Nicole Vossen will continue in her PPC role. The committee would also like to thank Charles Olson and Mike Rasmussen for their years of service to the Parish.

John Beacom was voted Parish Council President

Mike Gawley was voted Parish Council Vice President

Deb Gustafson was voted Parish Council Secretary

WELCOME Program:

New this fall, the WELCOME retreat program will be coming to St. Patrick's. WELCOME, previously known as (CHRP - Christ Renew His Parish or Renew) offers a weekend retreat experience (limited to 30 people) twice a year. The program is designed to help ignite people's faith. Future WELCOME retreat dates will be November 4th & November 11th.

Other Business / Announcements

Pet Rock concert:

The Pet Rock concert is set for Thursday, May 25th.

Closing

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

PPC Meeting Calendar:

- Thursday, June 15th End of Year BBQ
- No PPC meeting in July.