

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES--10/11/09**

Present: Bob Horton, Larry Beuerlein, Gerardo Prieto, Panfilo Garcia, Rose Leyva, Fr. Daniel, Eric Olsen and Karen Latham

Opening prayer: Gerardo played a CD with the song "Make Me an Instrument of your Peace" to pray and contemplate before we started our meeting.

August minutes were moved for approval by Eric and seconded by Larry, minutes were approved.

Evangelization report: Bob reported on the "Safety and Awareness" seminar to be held on 10/14/09 from 6:30-8:00pm in the church hall by Randy Greer.

Hispanic report: There was no report but Panfilo announced that parishioners are being asked to bring desserts to the International Fair on 10/25/09 from 2-8pm.

Maintenance report: Larry reported that the water leak in the rectory will be fixed by Hispanic parishioners, Karen asked about insurance, but Larry reported repairs should total approx \$200 max. Dee is following up on the last time the roof was checked. Larry also reported that the carport frame had been replaced, the frame was too tall. The fire marshal is due to inspect the building. Larry mentioned the termites in the garage; he will spray during the winter when they are underground. The roof and boards will soon need replacement. Bob asked about the baptismal font pump and Larry explained that a "gadget" will be placed (cost \$80) to shut the pump off when pressure gets low. Karen mentioned the dirty awning; Larry said he would clean it with soap and water instead of a pressure washer.

Worship report: Rose read Sharon Yoker's email concerning the dates in which the worship committee will be decorating the church for the upcoming holidays.

Officer elections: Bob accepted the position of chair for one more year, Jim Francka was voted vice chair and Fr. Daniel has someone in mind for secretary.

Fr Daniel reported on the discipleship fair. There are 20 groups participating. He and seminarian Luis will set up the hall 10/15/09. The fair will be after all masses except the 6pm Sunday mass the weekend of 10/17/09-10/18/09. Fr reminded all that this a good opportunity to thank the various groups for their help. The parish council table will be manned by Steve Michael, Bob Horton and Fr Daniel. Each ministry will have sign up sheets at their table. And a reminder that follow up with those that sign up is very important.

Night of Reflection: All agreed it was a fun evening and that it was a good idea to invite non parish council members. Fr. Paul did an excellent job.

The BBQ netted over \$1,500 for the rectory. Fr Daniel said that all purchases will be reported to the parish. The first level of the rectory is done. A privacy fence will replace the existing "dog" fence, Hispanic parishioners will erect the fence free of charge, and some wood will need to be purchased. The second level bath and shower are done but the heating and cooling system is not working on that level. Larry will help Fr Daniel with the shower on the first level.

New pictures of parish council members will be taken at the next meeting for the website. Fr Daniel will write a letter for the website as well.

The Christmas dinner will be held Saturday December 19<sup>th</sup> after the 4pm mass. Fr. Daniel has the Santa for the dinner. Julia, Karen, Bob, Tom Kauffman and Jim Farrar are the committee.

Council members are responsible for preparing monthly reports and 10 minutes (max) presentation. This is not limited to only parish council members; any member of any committee is invited to give the report. Bob will ask Charlie Hornback of the fundraising committee and Marilyn Batson of the finance committee to the next meeting.

Pastor's comments: Fr. Daniel spoke about the Latino leadership program "Respecto" which is being offered to Hispanic youth so that they can learn about their roots and make a commitment to the parish. Various topics include youth born in other countries, responsibility, values, culture, integration, community service and parish involvement. Kids don't seem to want to go to PSR as they feel they "know everything already" so something different was needed to get and keep their attention. Fr Daniel explained that only one youth group is needed and it is his hope that after Hispanic youth complete this project, the transition to just one youth group will start. One PSR teacher voiced her concerns about the project, saying that those kids needed to be in class as some didn't even know the "Our Father". Fr. explained that the kids needed some more exciting and hands on, somewhere to share energy and hobbies. Fr surveyed 3 of the youth that attended and their responses were that the project was "cool" and that they "really liked it". This project will provide faith formation and leadership. The age group is 14-18. The Respecto program is being held on Saturdays morning as to not conflict with PSR.

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.