

Sacred Heart Church

Parish Council Minutes-February 9, 2009

Members present: Fr. Tom McGann, Bob Horton, Michael Siegismund, Julia Valdes, Steve Michael, Rolanda Sandoval, Jim Farrar, Larry Beuerlein, Fr. Joshy, Yolanda Lorge, Karen Latham, Sr. Laureana, Rose Leyva, Sue Frey.

Larry Beuerlein opened the meeting at 6:05 pm with a prayer.

Fr. Tom introduced new member, Panfilo Garcia. Panfilo is taking Marshall Hyde's place.

Minutes from the January 2009 meeting were reviewed. The following 2 corrections were made...Sr. Laureanna asked that the Hispanic report be amended to include Julia Valdes as also responding that there were numerous announcements from the pulpit and notes in the bulletin about ESL classes." A motion to accept was made by Larry Beuerlein and a 2nd to accept was made by Rose Leyva. Secondly, Fr. Tom requested that under Christmas Dinner be amended to replace the word "race" with "ethnic background." All approved.

February Committee Reports:

1. The Fund(FUN)Raising report was submitted by Sue Frey. There were no questions.
2. Sue Frey submitted the Worship Committee report. There were no questions.
3. The Faith Formation report was distributed by Julia Valdes. Fr. Tom asked how many children still needed to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation. Julia is checking on the number. There are a couple of children who have not been baptized yet...there is some confusion with some Spanish speaking families about the sacraments and their requirements. There are some Baptism records still being collected. Sue asked about the plans for the outdoor rosary and the making of the stepping-stones. Julia has all materials purchased and will begin scheduling the different committees and PSR classes to make the "beads".

Old Business:

1. Fare Thee Well. Report submitted by Sue Frey. The committee is meeting on wed. Feb. 11th at 6:00. Sue offered to send an updated report to Council members after the meeting. \
2. Hall Rental: This committee is still gathering information. This item will be on the agenda for the March 2009 meeting.
3. Bylaws: There are 2 changes to the proposed bylaws. Bob Horton will make the changes. A motion was made by Jim Farrar to accept the bylaws with the changes. Julia seconded. All approved.
4. Stewardship Fair: There was a discussion on the timing of the Stewardship Fair. At this point there is no volunteer to chair the event. Sue Frey suggested a Fall date might be better. This will give Sacred Heart a chance to transition to our new pastor. Jim Farrar also noted that a later timing would be beneficial for those coming in from RCIA.

New Business:

1. Future Meeting with Catholic Schools: Rose Leyva reported that there will be a meeting this Sunday Feb. 15th between the Masses. Marilyn Batson will come and bring registration packets. Marilyn & Rose will present the scholarship opportunities etc for Catholic schools. Rose also noted that St. Joseph will host an open house Feb. 18th and parents will be invited to attend.
2. Bob passed out minutes from the last Finance meeting. We will review and ask questions at the March meeting.

- 3 Sr. Laureanna posed a problem she is facing with adult Hispanics who have not received all of the sacraments of Initiation. Fr. Tom will speak with Milagros at the Catholic Center.

Good of the Order: Fr. Tom read a letter from Bishop Johnston written in response to a letter written by Fr. Tom to all committees of the parish with checking accounts. The Bishop thanked Fr. Tom for sharing the letter with him.

The letter was sent to Fund(FUN)Raising, Heart to Heart, the Hispanic Committee, Choir and St. Vincent DePaul. Three items were reviewed: Diocesan guidelines ask

1. That the pastor's name is on every account and his signature is on the checks.
2. A monthly report of income and outgo is sent to the parish office
3. A monthly reconciliation report be sent to the parish office.

Fr. Tom shared the sad news that Gerardo Prieto's new baby had died not long after his birth. The funeral will be next week. The family asks for prayers. Larry Beuerlein brought a card for Council members to sign.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm