

**Minutes of the 459th Meeting
Saint Stephen Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council**

May 11, 2017

Members Present: Fr. Jerry Riney, Christy Ellis, Ron Bornander, Teresa Brown, John Calhoun, Bo Ivey, Lottie Miller

Members Absent: Haley Fitzgerald, Mark Heinz, and John McNulty

Parish Team: Fr. Jamie Dennis, Deacon Dirck Curry, Donna Murphy, Corey Bruns

I. Opening

Christy Ellis, chair, opened the meeting at 6:10 PM. The minutes were amended to include the following information. Ron Bornander recommended the rectory be checked structurally. Ron also inquired about the financial and rental arrangement concerning the Cedar Street properties.

II. Scripture – *At Home with the Word*

PPC members read and discussed the First Reading and the Gospel for April 14, 2017.

III. Finance Report

Lottie Miller presented the first reading of the budget for fiscal year 2017-2018. The proposed budget was reviewed. It is \$40,000.00 over the current budget. The next reading will be in June.

IV. Stewardship Report

All of the PPC members agreed the Triduum went well. Fr. Jerry used the “Holy Week Thank You” insert from the bulletin to point out the number of parishioners involved with the Triduum. Christy Ellis asked members to name accomplishments of the current PPC and goals for the incoming PPC. List is found in Appendix A.

V. Liturgy and Worship Report

John Calhoun announced the Sound System Committee has been meeting. The following are members of the committee: Mike Bogdan, Corey Bruns, Rita Gerteisen, Ed Riney, James Wells, and John Calhoun. The Finance Committee has suggested that a portion of the Disciples Response Fund rebate be added to the \$5,000.00 grant that has been designated for sound system improvements.

VI. Education Report

Deacon Dirck reported TMIY finished this year with 16 to 20 men attending the sessions. TMIY will start up again in the Fall. The parish might start sessions for couples titled “Choice Wine.” Donna Murphy stated the theme for Catholic Kidz Camp/Vacation Bible School is “Tracking Mary.” VBS will be June 19-23, and is for children 4 years and up. Donna also announced the Faith Formation Team has struggled this winter and is revamping.

VII. Community and Family Enrichment Report

The parish will host a Pentecost Potluck on June 4, 2017. A VOCARE Reception is scheduled for June 19, 2017, at 6:30 PM in the rectory. The “Founder’s Dinner and Raffle” will be held on September 16, 2017, after the 5:00 PM Mass. Newly ordained Dick Murphy will be

guest of honor at the dinner. The dinner will be free. There will be two raffles. One is a Hawaii trip for 2 for April 22-29, 2018. Snowshoe for a week is the winner's alternate choice. Raffle tickets will be \$25.00 per ticket and 600 tickets will be sold. The other raffle is a money raffle with a \$5,000.00 main prize. A raffle ticket will cost \$10.00 per ticket.

VIII. Communications Report

Bo Ivey reported they are searching for new members for this committee. He stated the Casino night for Cathedral Preschool was a good event.

IX. Buildings and Grounds Report

Ron Bornander reported the Knights of Columbus are making Ten Commandment Plaques and are offering to the parishes. He requested a thank you note be sent to the Knights for providing someone to start and extinguish the Holy Saturday Fire. We also needed to thank them for the Community Garden sign. Ron stated the Spring Work Day held on April 1, 2017, was a good day. Jeff Payne has 5 families helping with gardens with his "adopt a spot" program.

X. Social Concerns

Mark Heinz was absent but provided minutes from the Social Concerns Committee's April 20, 2017, meeting.

XI. Pastor's Comments

Fr. Jerry reported 41 parishioners were nominated to the new parish council. Twenty-one attended the New Parish Council Discernment session on April 30, 2017. Seminarian Intern Mark Schuster has been assigned to our parish beginning next Fall. Fr. Jerry was happy to announce that Seminarian Corey Bruns will stay with us for 10 weeks during the summer. Corey was thanked for his service during his pastoral year. Fr. Jamie reported the St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of volunteers. He stated the Youth Group has many activities planned for the summer.

XII. Other

Christy Ellis announced she and Rodney were inviting the PPC to their home June 25, 2017, at 6:00 PM. Everyone is encouraged to bring a guest.

XIII. Birthdays and Anniversaries

John McNulty is celebrating a May Birthday. Bo and Jodi Ivey are celebrating their Wedding Anniversary on May 21, 2017. Fr. Jamie is celebrating his Ordination Anniversary on May 28, 2017.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting is June 8, 2017. Christy and Lottie are bringing desserts. John Calhoun is providing soft drinks. Everyone else is bringing appetizers. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Margie Ebelhar