

St Thomas More University Parish
Final – Parish Council Minutes of October 2nd, 2008

Members Present: Sims Beeler Carol Hoffman Father Ray
 Sam Snow Julia Irwin Earl Whitman
 Charlie Kenney Casey Partridge
 Phillip Smith R.C. Davis

Absent:

Others Present:

Meeting called to order by Chair Charlie Kenney followed by Gospel reflections. (Mt. 21: 33-43). September minutes approved.

Pastor's Report

1. Physical transition for the church, new desk, painting will be finished and 90% of library books in order. Father Ray feels he'll be in his house for awhile, intermittently a gentleman looked at his windows but there is no inexpensive fix. Plans to take care of mildew under house. Some rust in east ventilation along east side of building, not as bad, roughly \$2000 estimate.

Old Business

1. **Facilities Planning Committee:** Had first meeting, discussed composition of groups and decide there is no need for the committee to be larger. Discussed vision for expansion of parish; needs assessment to be done on what has previously been done in the past thru Mark Krittenbrink's knowledge. Things to think about are future size of parish, archdiocese vision as well, and it all of course depends on money. Next meeting is October 22nd at 5pm in church library.
2. **Building and Maintenance:** Update on lawsuit- easier for us to pay off \$2400 based on timing. Recommended to file a formal complaint to the better business bureau and to notify other parishes and priest not to use this floor cleaning service. Locks and Security – two proposals; locking doors with panic doors @\$8000 or magnetic timing locks with existing doors and have on a punch key @\$6000 (estimates). Formation of Committee – the need for a building/maintenance committee still exist to take burden from Father and Christy. What do we do to get this started? Arn Henderson and R.C. Davis currently are on this committee and planning on recruiting some members that can help them handle projects.
3. **Stewardship Program:** Look at focusing on time, talent, and treasure throughout the year. Breaking up focusing on these for a month at a time, separated by seasons. Start with time for the Advent season focused on time. Focus on treasure during Lent and Talent during Pentecost. Carol, Casey and Father Ray will meet to put together a vision and plan.
4. **Transition Plan:** Needing to look at revising the constitution to make it look like what PC needs now. Charlie and Sam will meet to discuss adjustments to constitutions. We need to gage where the members whose terms end what they are planning to do and be prepared to discuss at next PC meeting.

New Business

1. **Personnel:** Receptionist-secretary position – Gloria's position is open and there is an ad for it. Four interviews have been conducted and the candidates look very encouraging.
2. **Campus Ministry:** Gala- need some more ticket and raffle sales. Possible ideas of using the gala as a fundraiser for RE and campus ministry.
3. **Other:** Open dates to be looked at to provide Sunday Supper from Knights and Parish Council for college students on Sunday night.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2008 at 7:00pm