

**St Thomas More University Parish**  
**Parish Council Minutes**  
**5 November 2009**

Members Present: Father Ray Ackerman, Charlie Kenney, Carol Hoffman, Bill Huntington, Eric Anderson, Ben Ballard, Jennifer Grover and Sims Beeler

Members Absent: R.C. Davis, Sam Snow

**Opening**

1. Meeting began at 7:01 pm with prayer followed by reading and discussion of the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B Gospel.
2. The 1 October 2009 minutes were approved.
3. Charlie reviewed meeting agenda.

**Pastor's Report**

1. Door locks replacement project in process. All the facility locks have been replaced except for the outer door locks. See also B&P report below.
2. Christy Macon has requested permission to solicit donations from the parish for the All Saints gym, now in construction. She has requested permission to make an announcement at each Mass sometime in early December.
3. Christy Meiser has contracted McGovern Sprinklers & Landscaping to repair the Parish sprinkler system.
4. A new parlor piano for the lounge is to be fitted with an enclosure. Expenses to be paid from proceeds derived from sale of donated pipe organ.
5. Bid was received to remodel the Red House for \$8814.14. The proposed work will be reconsidered next summer.
6. A written bid to paint the Grey House for \$4200.00 was submitted by CGW, Inc. The project was tentatively approved at the 3 September 2009 meeting. Final approval was given to begin the project.
7. Preparation for Gala going well. Some good prizes have been gathered.
8. Good turnout for this year's All Souls Mass.
9. Parish Liturgical Ministers training scheduled for Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7-9 pm.
10. Newman Lecture Series event on sacred music scheduled to take place at STM on November 11th, 7-9 pm.

**Business and Planning Committee**

1. Bill Huntington presented his draft regarding facility access and key security.
  - a. Access shall be multi-tiered or sectional according to need.
  - b. An application form must be completed and approved and a deposit collected before the issuance of a key.
  - c. The names of all key holders and their level of access will be kept on file.
  - d. Applications may take up to 24 hrs to process.
  - e. The locks on the outer doors will not be changed until after the Gala.
  - f. Key application forms should be available in the office by Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.
2. The Campus Ministry Assistant position has been chaired indefinitely.
3. The RE Director's request for a raise has been tabled until some issues have been resolved.
4. The Facilities Planning Committee received an official cost estimate of just under two million dollars to construct and complete the proposed new building.

**Organized Participation Committee Report**

1. The appointment of a replacement, on the Parish Council, for Brigid Brink is still in process.

**Closing**

1. Meeting closed with prayer at 8:10 p.m.
2. Next meeting scheduled (via 11/6/09 e-mail) for 10 December 2009 at 7:00 p.m.