

**St Thomas More University Parish**  
**Parish Council Minutes**  
**6 May 2010**

Members Present: Father Ray Ackerman, Charlie Kenney, R.C. Davis, Carol Hoffman, Bill Huntington, Ben Ballard, Sam Snow, Eric Anderson, Jennifer Grover, Sims Beeler

**Opening**

1. Meeting began at 7:10 p.m. with prayer followed by reading and discussion of the Cycle C Gospel for the Six Sunday of Easter.
2. Charlie reviewed meeting agenda.
3. The 15 April 2010 minutes were approved.

**Pastor's Report**

1. Fr. Goins plans to attend the Parish Council Annual Retreat.
2. To avoid hacking, Fr. Ackerman has requested that all STM office computers be turned off each evening as staff leaves the office.
3. Archbishop Beltran has pledged \$50,000 toward the new Rectory project.
4. Projected total cost of new Rectory project: \$110,000.
5. Extra money for new Rectory project to come from Building Fund.
6. Finance Council to find way to pay back the Building Fund (has the Building Fund been confused with monies pledged and collected for Parish facility expansion?).

**Business and Planning Committee Report**

1. The new Rectory project, as proposed by Fr. Ackerman, was approved by the Council.
2. The \$64,000 bid to replace the Sanctuary seating was accepted and approved by the Council.

**Communications Committee Report**

1. Sam to concentrate on and address Parish web issues this June and possibly implement changes by July.

**Organized Participation Committee Report**

1. Stephen Bonner was elected by the Parish to fill RC's Council position.
2. Fr. Ackerman appointed runner up RC to also serve on Council.
3. Appointed seats on Council to become vacant upon Fr. Ackerman's departure. Fr. Ackerman said he would recommend to Fr. Goins to retain Charlie and RC on the Council.
4. Sam recommended amending the Parish Council Constitution by shortening the elected student term from 3 years to 2.
5. Farewell celebration for Fr. Ackerman scheduled for May 22 after the 5 pm Mass.

**Closing**

1. Meeting closed with prayer at 8:45 p.m.
2. Next regular meeting scheduled for 3 June 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
3. Parish Council Annual Retreat scheduled for 22 May 2010, 9 am – 3 pm.