

Members

Name	Present
Fr. Matt Wagner	X
Debi Shuda	X
Butch Shuda	X
Mike Moriarty	X
Jean Meyer	X
Karen Kohlmeyer	
Bill Fitzpatrick	X

MINUTES

Opening Prayer

Accept previous meeting minutes: Motion by Mike, seconded by Bill to accept the Minutes of November 29, 2022. Carried

Additions to Agenda: 1a. Spring Fling volunteers  
1b. Holy week schedule  
1c. St. Patrick's Day – Bishop's Letter  
2b. Help a Student donations  
4d. mileage per diem

1. Pastor's Report

- a. Spring Fling: Fr. wanted to indicate his gratefulness for the many volunteers
- b. Holy Week: Fr. is working with Deacon Bob on the schedule for the week at St. Patrick's
- c. St. Patrick's Day: Bishop Barron sent a letter to the Parishes regard the Dispensation on St. Patrick's Day from abstaining from eating meat and meat products. Fr. will mention the dispensation during Mass prior to St. Patrick's Day.

2. Parish Finances

- a. Presentation of Financial Reports: Debi  
Recent payments from the CCP account were to pay for the Chimney removal, Steeple repairs, and the new Railings located at the steps in front of the Church and Rectory.  
**Motion to accept:** Motion by Mike, seconded by Bill to accept the financial reports. Council asked for clarification on Cemetery Net Assets, with Debi reporting back via email.

**UPDATE:** From: Debi Shuda <[debishuda@msn.com](mailto:debishuda@msn.com)>

Sent: Wednesday, March 1, 2023 7:40 PM

To: Jean Meyer <[jeanm@acegroup.cc](mailto:jeanm@acegroup.cc)>; Bill Fitzpatrick <[fitzbill1981@gmail.com](mailto:fitzbill1981@gmail.com)>; Mary Joyce <[mjoyce@winona.edu](mailto:mjoyce@winona.edu)>; Karen Kohlmeyer <[klkwjk75@gmail.com](mailto:klkwjk75@gmail.com)>; Mike Moriarty <[mmoriarty1949@gmail.com](mailto:mmoriarty1949@gmail.com)>; Butch Shuda <[butchshuda@gmail.com](mailto:butchshuda@gmail.com)>; Fr Matt Wagner <[mwagner@dowr.org](mailto:mwagner@dowr.org)>

Subject:Re: Parish Council Meeting

Hello All!

I looked into the year-to-date Net Asset entries on the Cemetery Statement of Financial Position. \$4495.68 is the amount of the journal entries I made to update the Net Assets when Unrestricted Funds were transferred into the Permanent Care fund.

\$4223.90 - a large Memorial designated for Permanent Care

\$150.00 - from Sale of Lots (25% to Permanent Care)

\$121.78 - unrealized gains from Ameriprise investment

Total: \$ 4495.68

Let me know if you have any more questions. Thanks!

- b. Help A Student envelopes: This year, in with the contribution envelope box, there are 10 envelopes that are designated to "Help a Student". Currently, there are 9 students in our parish who attend Catholic schools. Parishioners may use the envelopes to help with tuition costs for students of St. Patrick's Parish who attend Catholic Schools. To date just over \$600 has been contributed.
- c. Weekly Deposits: Debi asked for suggestions on potential to have a volunteer each week to delivery deposit to the Bank in La Crescent.
  - Fr. Matt will check with the Diocese on the rules to allow volunteers to make deposits.
  - Bill is willing to take Deposits to Bank on way to work each Monday  
-If that would occur, Fr. Matt will look at a suitable safe to secure in the Sacrestry

3. Parish Needs

- a. CCP Spring Fling: Sunday, April 30, 2023 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Breakfast 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Raffle Drawings at 2:00pm.

- b. Lenten Soup Supper: St. Patrick's will once again deliver soup/dessert to those that cannot come in person and will offer in-house meal/dessert for all those who want to attend. 6 Tuesday's during Lent. Deliver at 5:00 pm and in-house meal following Stations of the Cross. February 28<sup>th</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Stations of the Cross: Fr. Matt and Deacon Bob will lead the Stations of the Cross each Tuesday during Lent following 5:30 pm Mass.
4. Buildings and Grounds
- a. Butch's Updates:
    - Cleaning of Hall floor – A-1 Rental/Menard's/Home Depot all have floor cleaners. Butch will select one of these vendors and pick up machine to clean the Hall floors soon.
    - The electrical ballasts bulbs in the Hall were replaced by Steve Colsch. Steve then looked at the Steeple port holes for lights. When the copper roof was replaced the light area was damaged. There is one side that will not be lit up. Steve donated his time to complete all work.
    - The toilet paper holders were replaced in both bathrooms
    - Purchased and replaced the thermostats in the Church. Recommend putting a cage around the thermostat for the Boiler (located on wall next to basement steps in Hall).
  - b. Bathroom Sinks -- (Karen) No updates
  - c. Church Front Doors Replace/Repair – (Debi to contact Lax Glass) – No update
  - d. Need reflective pain for the lip on sidewalk at the front of the Church
5. Faith Formation: Debi
- a. First Reconciliation/ First Eucharist report: 2 candidates: Thea Waters and Sophia TenKley. Will have a breakfast following Mass on April 23<sup>rd</sup> for candidates, their families and parishioners.
  - b. Confirmation student report: No candidates to be confirmed. We have 2 from Crucifixion and 2 from St. Mary's in the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade program.
  - c. Youth Activities: Debi and Dan Hurley will chaperone for students wishing to go to Steubenville this summer.
  - d. Generations of Faith: will complete the 8<sup>th</sup> topics for GOF -- 16 years completed as of this year. March will be our last session for this year.
  - e. Teams of our Lady Program: 5 couples will meet starting this Sunday.
  - f. Lily Novak (9<sup>th</sup> grade) is our piano player for Mass each week. We are fortunate to have her talents!
6. Cemetery: Karen
- a. Cemetery Policy (Karen) -- No report
  - b. Cemetery Boundaries -- ongoing process
  - c. Cemetery fence replacement – ongoing process
7. Other:
- a. Gas reimbursement for Deacon Bob: Discussion that St. Mary's provides a flat rate of \$150/month to reimburse Deacon for his gas expenses.  
**ACTION:** Motion by Butch, seconded by Mike for St. Patrick's to provide a flat rate of \$60/month, beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Debi abstained. Motion Carried.  
**UPDATE:** After the meeting the calculations were re-evaluated and come up short of what are realized costs. Based on that, the original vote was rescinded by Mike and seconded by Butch and then a new motion was introduced via email on 4/13/2023:  
 Motion by Mike, for St. Patrick's to provide a monthly mileage reimbursement flat rate of \$100 for Deacon Bob. This flat rate allows for the mileage reimbursement of travel to/from St. Patrick's, not covered already by St. Mary's. Seconded by Butch. Yes by Karen and Jean, abstain by Debi, and no reply by Bill. Carried.
  - b. Baby Bottle Campaign: raised approximately \$900.
  - c. Parish Outreach: Debi mentioned that Marian Hirschuber needs visitors.
  - d. Food Shelf Shopping Cart: In 2022, 500 lbs. of food was delivered to the Caledonia Food Shelf

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 30, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

**NOTE:** date change due to conflicts

**Closing Prayer/ Adjourn**