

St. Anthony Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2011

I. The meeting of the St. Anthony Parish Pastoral Council was called to order at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, January 18th. Father led the Council in prayer. The Council welcomes David Stueve in his second term as a member and Jean Beutz as the new Christian Mothers representative.

II. Roll was taken. All members were in attendance except Matt Jensen and Elmer Goebel. Excused members were Marlene Ramacher and Jean Beutz. Also attending were Ralph Stich, maintenance and Kim Fish, Parish Secretary. The minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

III. New Business

A. Donations: The parish has received a few anonymous donations and also the yearly one from Freeport State Bank. One of the anonymous donations will be used towards the purchase of carpeting for the choir and the steps. The parish will cover any additional expenses of this project, possibly carpet removal, etc. There was discussion regarding the other anonymous donation. Some ideas included purchasing a permanent bench for the playground area. Donors who gave to the playground project could have their names inset in the bench. Another suggestion was to purchase additional decorations for the church. No final decisions were made.

B. Grants: The paperwork has been completed and submitted for a grant request from the Albany Mutual Telephone Foundation. If received, these monies would be put towards energy efficiency improvements of the parish. Also, the grant request previously submitted to the St. Cloud Diocese has now been received. This will be used for faith formation.

C. Maintenance: The flooring has been installed in the parish house. A big "Thank You" to the Christian Mothers and Holy Name Societies for picking up this tab. Father said the finished project looks very nice. The phones in the parish house needed to be replaced, because the answering system was not working on them. Because of the dual ringing (phones ring at both Albany & St. Anthony, but are marked by number dialed) special phones needed to be purchased through Albany Telephone. There are a few additional loose panels in the church ceiling that will need to be caulked. Since the roof has been repaired on the outside, hopefully there won't be too many more. The Cemetery fence should be repainted. This could possibly be a project for students looking for Confirmation hours.

D. Pancake Sausage Supper: This supper is usually the last Sunday in April. However, with Easter on that Sunday this year, we will need to reschedule. The council discussed the previous two Sundays in April as possibilities.

E. Pictorial Directory: Since it has been almost 15 years since our last pictorial directory and we have many new families that have joined the parish, a suggestion was made to have a new one printed. We could possibly pair with Albany on this project. Kim will check with Joan and see when they are planning to update theirs.

F. Miscellaneous: Because of the various laws regarding printed music, it was decided that St. Anthony should purchase a Copyright to avoid issues if copies of copyrighted music are made. Both Albany and St. Anthony parishes are revamping the fees charged for use of the church for weddings, funerals, etc, so that they are in line with other neighboring parishes.

G. Finances: The Financial Report was passed out. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to accept the report.

IV. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15th at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

These minutes stand as temporary until approved at the next meeting.

Joyce Rehkamp