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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
September 29, 2016
7:00 PM – PCMR

Present: Fr. Brian, Anne Blindt, Barb Bohringer, Jan Clauss, Luke Fuszard, Mike Gabor, Elaine Hathaway, Pam Klas, Jane Maly, Leslie Sullivan, Gene Zander

Unable to attend: Brian Aeschliman, Mike Dummer, John Winter

7:00 PM – Call to Order by Mike Gabor

Opening prayer: Anne Blindt

1. OLD/ONGOING BUSINESS

- A. Approval of Minutes from July 28, 2016 – Mike Gabor moved to approved the minutes with Jane Maly and Anne Blindt both seconding it.
- B. Discussion/Wrap-Up of Picnic – Served 490. Thank you to Luke and John for organizing this year. Next years picnic was booked for 9/10/17. Fr. Brian has the registration form and will have Marcia pay for the shelters at \$40 each because as the cost will increase 1/1/17. Changes for next year-use the popcorn machine in the office rather than rent one. (Savings \$40)
- C. Bingo Night Update – this is replacing the Spaghetti Dinner that used to be in February. Father will check 2/11 or 2/12 and will get back to us on date. More to follow on this.
- D. Presentation by Kevin Sullivan and discussion of Formed program – The program is Catholic Netflix which consists of books, audio programs and movies. The Parish has paid \$1600/yr for parish members to use it. To initially sign on, there is a special parish code to use.
- E. Reports/Comission Updates
 - * Faith Formation Commission-Parish Mission will be starting 11/27 thru 29. Welcome New Members packets are going to be redesigned. Anne Blindt, Mike Gabor and Leslie Sullivan will be the designated people to continue calling our new members. Mike G stated that he will keep doing this unless someone else steps forward.
 - *Human Needs Commission- Barb reported that the “Snack Pack Blessings” that Georgine Jacobs is heading up is off to a great start with over 100 volunteers and \$1835 in monetary donations to help cover costs

to purchase food. We will be using the kitchen in the downstairs level for this. Human Needs had a guest speaker, Susanna Herro from the Madison Catholic Women's Club and Pro Life. She shared with us some of her duties. She organizes our Rose Sale. They are promoting a movie "Voiceless" premiering on October 6 at Marcus Theaters and will run for one week. The community meals are still going good, serving approximately 90/monthly. No report from the MultiCultural Center. St Vincent de Paul still does home visits and will have their cookie sale in December. Watch for more information on the Coat/Clothing Drive and the Giving Tree that will be coming up in November. Meeting date changed from the 3rd Monday of the month to the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

*Finance Council-Fr. Brian reported that Elaine Hathaway and he will be looking at the investments to obtain a better return on our money. The Building Maintenance Fund has reached \$4,000 and we are looking at several items that need to be fixed. Annual Pledge week-end will be 10/22-23.

2. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Coffee Sunday Volunteers – Leslie Sullivan asked for volunteers this Saturday/Sunday to assist when launching the Formed Program. Anne B and Mike G volunteered. Kevin Laufenberg will also be promoting the Small Faith Groups during this time.

3. FR. BRIAN'S REPORT

- A. The phone system is in and is working great.
- B. The Parish Communications Coordinator is Ellen Krenke who will be taking over the bulletin as well as other duties.

4. CLOSING

- A. Next Executive Meeting: Thursday, November 17, 2016
- B. Next Parish Council Meeting: Thursday, December 1, 2016
- C. Closing Prayer: Anne Blindt Next Prayer Leader: Barb Bohringer

Minutes submitted by Barb Bohringer