

Parish Council Meeting  
February 26, 2007

Present: Dan Meade, Karen Rahe, Lori Kraft, Rob Reid, Dan Cole, Pauline Bley, Greg Williams, Dan Dalton, Mickey Buller, Deacon Jim, Father Rick.

Absent Excused: Anne Schultz

Opening Prayer: Father Rick

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes: Lori Kraft, Rob Reid

Commission Reports- Finance, Bingo, Capital Campaign, Worship Commissions and Booster:

Finance Commission: (Dan Cole): Weekly envelope collections are down about \$17,000.00. Pledges are correct as noted in the bulletin regarding the Capital Campaign. Parish Center equipment to furnish rooms is coming in. Bingo has seen an increase in business related to Kentucky not issuing licenses for Bingo's for about 8 weeks. We are seeing increased traffic in the door with subsequent increase in money collected on Instant Tickets sold.

Festival: Bid-n-Buy will have big emphasis placed as major money is made in this booth. We are asking companies to furnish items we can resell such as GE, Best Buy etc. Major Award will not have a motorcycle but possibly cash, sports trip to the Masters etc. Big Tent will again be on the lower lot. Upper lot will see more for 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to enjoy.

Education Commission: Kindergarten - 34 students registered with 19 in the AM, 12 of these will take part in the all day program, and 15 in the PM. The entire school registration is 493. We know we lost 2 families. Open House went well. Terra Nova testing completed with results explained at PTO meeting. Very little comparison to other West Side Schools. Next meeting will discuss teacher evaluations.

Worship Commission: No February Meeting due to illness of commission.  
Announcements at beginning of Mass on hold to figure out process for doing this.  
Changing placement of announcements will allow for easier transition from Communion to end of Mass

Booster: Will be looking at profit and (costs)loss relative to individual sports to ascertain what may need to be changed within Booster organization i.e. tournament costs, uniform requests etc. Boosters. are looking at Family Plan and additional fee's to play some sports. Concerns remain about losing families if fees are too high. Currently looking at how to purchase needed equipment for field maintenance and getting rid of the large tractor. October Fest raised \$7,000.00.

Skate Boarders: not allowed to be on property because of liability and the destruction of

concrete steps etc. Signs are posted.

Communication: Specific to the bridge - do we need to add more information about the school activities? Would more pictures be beneficial to get the Parish accustomed to reading this? What needs to be done?

Parish Council Elections: Dan Meade to place in Bulletin. Will work with Education commission to coincide elections within Parish.

Pastor Transition: Parish Council to answer questions received from Archdiocese. New Pastor to arrive by July or August. Plans need to include final celebration with Father Rick and welcome of new Pastor. Will look to other commissions for help in planning this. Will advertise for volunteers for new committee. This committee will report to Parish Council on all activities.

Music at Mass: Reviewed Emails sent earlier within Parish Council group. Greg is looking for constructive critiques and what is working well. Suggestions include number of songs, number of verses sung, playing songs more people know, and how much harmony per song making it difficult for Parish to sing along. Suggestions include surveying Parish regarding musical program within the Mass. Dan, Lori and Greg to work on survey.

Pastor's report: Discussed Wednesday services, Lenten Services, including Stations of the Cross. Archbishop program relative to Stewardship and "Grateful Believers" in order to better understand our giving needs. March 5<sup>th</sup> at St Ignatius will have a meeting outlining this program. Deacon Jim and Dan Meade will attend as Father may be gone when this kicks off in the summer.

Open Forum: Fans in new gym need to be reviewed for timing after loss of electricity over past few weeks. Kevin Hesselbrock and Tom will be contacted.