

Our Lady of the Lakes Parish Council Meeting July 16th, 2009

Stephenie Ritger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Bernadette Mondloch led the prayers. All council members were present except for Fr. Fleischman, and Dan Bushard. Others present were Bonnie Dahm, Denise Dimmer, Dennis Dimmer, Al Feyereisen, Deb Hamm, Alice Jacoby. The minutes of the June 18, 2009 meeting were reviewed and amended. A motion was made by James Steffen to approve the amended minutes. Joe Birenbaum seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Guest Comments: Denise Dimmer presented information on the fuel usage at the St. Nicholas site during the winters of 2007-2008 and 2008-2009

Announcements & Calendars: Calendars were reviewed for August and September 2009

Prayer & Worship Committee: Next meeting October 10th, 2009

Human Concerns Committee: No meeting, Next meeting September 2009

School Committee Update: Dr. Rick Erickson, the new principal spoke about the upcoming year. He has a very positive outlook, wanting to look forward. He says he has no "rearview mirror" for the school. He will be accessible, and has started to call parents who have not yet registered for the school year. The committee has decided to offer free tuition to any kindergartener for the 2009-2010 school year. A \$250 fee would still apply. The sign at the front of the school will be moved in front of the flag poles for higher visibility. The new computer room is complete. Everything was completed with donations. The new room includes a smart board, new monitors, chairs, and tables

Child Care Advisory Committee: The Child Care Center is preparing to move into the school building in the middle of August, 2009. A new child care business will begin operation in the current building.

Christian Formation Committee: No Meeting

Finance Update: Financial reports for June 2009 were reviewed. Motion to approve by James Steffen, second by John Buhler.

Building & Grounds: No meeting. The proxy for the school heating system has been received. Country Aire has been notified and will begin work soon. The subcommittee formed to review the sites is preparing their presentation to the Council.

Tri-Parish Planning Meeting: Deb Hamm presented a program led by Fr. Tom Sweetzer. This would ideally be a collaborative effort for the cluster to revitalize and reenergize our Catholic community.

Pastor's Report: Fr. Guy Gurath will chair an ad hoc committee (Dennis Dimmer, Joe Birenbaum, Al Feyereisen, John Witters, Gary Jacoby) to address ways to work more closely together and resolve some underlying issues especially regarding the Fr. Feyereisen estate.

Faith In The Future: The council has decided to review the donations and make an appropriate donation to Sr. Jo Klas, a native of the area who is currently providing mission work in Guatemala. Part of the money will be used for the updated heating system in the school.

Old Business: Photo directory is getting ready to proof. The sign for the cemetery in Cascade is ready to be installed. Lowell Barrington presented information on a parish Directorship, including parishes that are currently using one and the requirements of a Parish Director.

New Business: Through discernment the council has chosen to set the winter site use schedule. Starting with the December 26th, 2009 Mass of anticipation, through March 30th, 2010 all Masses (excluding any funerals or pre-scheduled weddings) will be held in Random Lake (4:30 pm Saturday night and 10:00 am Sunday morning.)

Committee liaisons were assigned. Tri-Parish Committee – John Buhler, James Steffen, Finance Committee – Gary Feider, John Buhler, Election Committee - Lowell Barrington, James Steffen, School Committee – Becky Swanson, Prayer and Worship Committee – Bernadette Mondloch, Christian Formation – Daniel Bushard, Human Concerns - Joe Birenbaum,

Building and Grounds Committee – Lowell Barrington, John Witters

. Vice Chair – Lowell Barrington, Chair – Stephenie Ritger, Secretary – Gary Jacoby

Joe Birenbaum made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 p.m Bernadette Mondloch seconded the motion. Motion carried. Fr. Guy Gurath will prepare the prayer for the next meeting on August 27th, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary Jacoby, Secretary