

Our Savior Parish Council Meeting Minutes April 3, 2019

Attendance Roster

Council Members	Office	Year	Present	Absent
Fr. David Tokarz, Pastor	Pastor		X	
A.J. Glassen	President	3	X	
Hank Toth	Vice President	3	X	
Rhina Gomez		3	X	
Jane Baker	Secretary	3	X	
Eileen Rettig		2	X	
Lonnie Gilmore		2	X	
Frank Anthony		1	X	
Vicki Wakefield	Finance Liaison	1	X	
Rebecca Reinhardt		1	X	

The meeting was held in the rectory, hosted by Fr. David Tokarz. A.J. Glassen, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Hank Toth gave the opening prayer. The minutes from the parish council meeting on February 27, 2019 were approved and an email will be forwarded to Mary for posting.

Financial Report

The Finance Committee met on March 29, 2019. Vicki Wakefield submitted the financial report. The parish is at budget for tithing. We did not meet the Catholic Charity goal. Fr. David suggested the decline may be related to the planned archdiocese fundraising drive for youth ministry, seminarian education and priest retirement. The next Financial Committee meeting will be 5/8/19.

Old Business

Upcoming election: There are 8 candidates for parish council election. Currently 6 of them have turned in bios which have been placed in the back of the church. It was noted that the bio is not required for the names to be placed on the ballot. Voting will be on Palm Sunday. Hank Toth, A.J. Glassen and Jane Baker will preside over the election. Parish council members will collect the ballots after each mass as follows: 5pm Mass – Eileen Rettig; 830am Mass – A.J. Glassen; 11am Mass – Hank Toth & Jane Baker; 7pm Mass – Rhina Gomez. A.J., Hank and Jane will meet on Monday 4/15 at 8am to count the ballots.

Fr. David had requested the council members to review the final report on the 4 priorities and provide suggestions on implementing these ideas. The ideas suggested as follows:

1) Evangelization – More opportunities for young adults with new programs or recruiting them into the established programs. Rebecca reported on an organized group of young adults with Our Lady of Lourdes. The group will be at Our Savior in July for “Food for the Body and Soul” and Vicki suggested they could present information about the group at one of the masses. Rebecca discussed the importance of a young adult group at Our Savior to keep them rooted in the parish.

2) Strengthening the Family – encouraging participation from younger couples for movie nights, dinners, meet and greets. There are unanswered questions on the level of participation from the KOC in planning family night/dinner/movie night. Also suggested was putting out a survey in the parish for ideas on the areas of interest. One of the challenges that will be faced is providing babysitting for parents to attend events.

3) Serving the Needs of the Neighbors – Ministry fair with tables for each group/organization. Placing the “Neighbor Center” tree in the back of the church 2 x per year. Fr. David said of the 4 priorities this area is at such a high level of participation it is not the top concern.

4) Encouraging Vocations – Homily on vocations on All Saints Day, Vocation Day for religious ed. Highlight seminarians in the bulletin each week asking for prayers. Fr. Victor to speak to the high school students about vocations. It was discussed that the survey did not mention deacons and a minimal mention on religious life.

New Business

Lonnie met with Keith Miller regarding First Aid Kits. Lonnie presented options for mass casualty kits to be placed in the church and Jennings Hall. The cost will be between \$340-360 per kit. In review of the items in these kits it was decided that they could be put together at a much lower cost. AJ motioned we purchase 2 kits, 1 for the church and 1 for Jennings Hall. It was agreed Jane will assemble 2 Kits with the necessary items at no cost to the church.

Fr. David will be reviewing the election results from Frank Hacker’s election year for his replacement.

Scheduling Note: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Wednesday, May 22,2019 at 6:00pm in the rectory.

Closing prayer was offered by Jane Baker.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Baker April 3, 2019