

Parish Council Meeting
June 17, 2009

Members Present: Joe Wuerth, Beth Ann Henry, Eric Schockling, Karen Jordan, Stewart Toney, Larry Schmelz, Chuck Hess, Cheryl Walther.

Newly Elected Members: Kevin Boone, Marilyn Butler, Christine Myrick.

Representatives Present: Building & Grounds – Walter West; Faith Formation – Eric Schockling.

Meeting opened at 7:00 with a prayer. Newly elected members were welcomed.

Minutes from 5/20/09 reviewed & approved as presented.

Report from Faith Formation Commission

The Commission completed the job description for the DRE/CRE. Plans have been made to visit St. Paul in Sellersburg in September. The Commission plans to survey the catechists to see what their needs are, and to find an effective way of identifying children who are not attending classes. Regarding faith formation for the parish generally, the Commission hopes to arrange a Ministry Fair soon, to plan a special “educational” Mass, and to sponsor a speaker quarterly. The Commission also plans to have a booth at the picnic and possibly at the Heritage Festival. Eric provided a brief update on the search for a new DRE/CRE.

Report from Finance

None. Approval of the budget was tabled until the July meeting.

Report from St. Anne'sNone.

Report from Building & Grounds

The Committee plans to take dead limbs out of the tree by the parish office, to take care of the roofing on the barn, to seal the cracks in the parking lot pavement, and to ensure that the icemaker is repaired in time for the picnic. The Committee is monitoring savings resulting from the replacement of windows in the old school building. They reported a 40% reduction in utility costs in the first quarter of this year. The planters in the shrine were replaced. The Committee plans to have another cemetery workday in June, and perhaps once a month until they finish leveling headstones.

Report from Youth Ministry

None. Vacation Bible School is underway.

Old Business

Defibrillators: Eric plans to have a short demonstration session after the Masses one weekend in July.

Father's Ripperger's retirement: The Council discussed plans for the reception.

New Business

New Members: Joe provided to the new members a brief summary of the Council's responsibilities and basic procedures. Elections for new officers will take place at the July meeting.

Father Hilderbrand: Joe informed the members that he had an opportunity to talk with Father Mike. Father agreed that it would be important to address the issue of space allocation.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

