

ST.RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

11/20/19

In attendance: Mark Clements, Morgan Kelty, Karen Frey, Fr. Shayne Duvall, Jill Tabor, John Raque, Debbie Selby, Sean Baldwin, Steve Sternberg, Ryan Taliaferro, John King, Susan Bientz, Ellen Hauber, Bill Farmer, Art Potter, Sharon Roberts

Fr. Shayne opened the meeting with a prayer.

President John Raque presented the minutes for review. Father Shayne added that our CSA parish goal would remain at \$75,000 for 2020, 2021 and 2022. The motion to accept was passed.

School Update

Principal Jill Tabor stated that enrollment is currently at 309. However there will be 2 preschoolers and possibly 1 middle school student joining the student body in January.

Open House was held Sunday, November 17 with 20 families attending as well as Tuesday, November 19 with more than 10 families attending.

Teachers were asked to submit proposals for improvements for their classrooms. Mrs. Ogburn's room was chosen as a model. The proposed cost for updating the 13/14 K-8 classrooms is expected to be \$10-\$13,000 each.

Talgrace Marketing has been hired to design both parish and school websites. A promotional video of the school was filmed. Talgrace will also work with our social media.

Business Update

Debbie Selby, business manager, passed out updated cash analysis sheets and summary income statements.

We are still working on campus security. The cost of implementing this in the desired form will cost over \$50,000. There will be a security team in place. Training will be provided for those administering the program.

There are plans to streamline stewardship renewal.

Steve Sternberg suggested that greeters be given a card with a job description of their duties, as not all of them are working effectively.

Pastor's Update

Emails were sent to parishioners describing all the Advent liturgical experiences being provided. These include lighting the Advent wreath, exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with opportunities for the sacrament of reconciliation, anointing of the sick and the blessing of the Christ Child. Christmas liturgies will be Christmas Eve at 4pm and 10pm and Christmas Day at 10:30am.

The sound system has been improved.

Work is being done on the second confessional to allow for both anonymous and face to face reconciliations.

Doug Pohl has made 4 wooden votive candle stands for the side chapels. New globes for the candles have been purchased.

A parishioner is making altar cloths and linens.

Regarding the Capital Campaign, the leadership roles are almost filled. John Raque and Jenny Shulhafer are co-chairs . The kick off will be Palm Sunday.

Part of the campaign will include refurbishing the lower level of the Sherran Center. The Raphael, Gabriel and Michael Rooms will be combined to make one large area. There will be both ramps and stairs at the front entrance.

Parking is being negotiated with Assumption. St. Raphael will allow the high school to use the "ditch" if they pay to cover it and turn it into 62 parking spaces for their students. That should free up more spaces in the front lot for noon Mass and week day funerals. The diocese will need to approve this plan.

Fred Krebs and Bob Sutton have repaired all the kneelers and pews in church.

The next meeting is January 22.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Roberts