

St. Simon the Apostle Parish Council Meeting Minutes

February 09, 2015

Opening Prayer Rob

Approval of November Minutes (all)

School Report – Sharon Lenger was not present. Fr. Erich reported enrollment was doing well. Open house was successful. 23 siblings plus 13 other has registered for Kindergarten. The stained glass windows have been installed in the school chapel.

Fr. Erich reported Bible study with Deacon Dave and RCIA is going well. The cow project is going well at St. Simon. Finance committee is meeting with the Archdiocese on the new capital campaign and will let Parish council know how we can help.

Finance Committee – Fr. Erich reported the woman behind Simon Says no longer is interested in selling the property. Tuition rates did increase slightly for the new school year, though St. Simon is still competitive.

Members of Parish council are registered for the workshop for parish council development through the Archdiocese.

Tony reported on Holy Name. The Bulldog Raffle is complete though it was close to a break even. Concession stand income is down. Concession stand is going to look for new products to sell with a larger profit margin. There is still discussion about what to do with the gym floor. The White House Retreat for men has 9 first timers and 29 total. Mass attendance was a topic at Holy Name.

Art reported on St. Vincent DePaul. He stated this is their most demanding time. The main request is assistance with gas and electric bills, secondly rent and home payments.

Rob reported on the school cafeteria. Sales are up though it is not making money and that is by design.

Sue reported Madonna Guild is preparing for the Fish Fry. Liturgy will be burning palms Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. Each Tuesday during Lent there is evening ending with Benediction. Bingo is all good and there will be a special President's Day Bingo.

Mary Karen reported Youth Ministry has 55 teens registered for the Steubenville Conference held in July. Youth Ministry may inquire with some small parishes to share buses. The Men's and Women's ACTS team has been attending speaking circles.

Mary Karen asked to relook at offering Bible study during the daytime.

Chris reported the St. Louis Archdiocese is the first to commit to the "Dynamic Catholic Alive Campaign".

Mary Karen agreed to take the open Vice-President position. Sue agreed to move into the Vice-President position when Mary Karen moved to the President position.

The next meeting is March 9, 2015 and the meeting closed with a prayer.