

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH
Council Meeting Approved Minutes - Summary
October 22, 2009

PRESENT: Fr. Terry, Patrick Frank, Greg Curin, Dave Trautner, Cory Anderson, Phil Hall, Mary Gronke, Bill Rorig, Jack Stotko, Michelle Oberholtzer, Leo Borghraef.

The previous meeting's minutes were accepted as reported.

OLD BUSINESS: The Kermesse will occur after all masses on Sunday, November 22nd. The Parish Council Constitution and By-Laws will be reviewed by Parish Council members prior to the December meeting. Prayer and Worship will look into raising funds for purchasing vestments and sacred vessels (metal ciborium and cups) and report progress at the December meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussions have started in preparing the parish for the new translation of the Roman missal. Fr. Terry we will again lead Advent evening prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours on Tuesday evenings during Advent. Greg Buchberger is working to upgrade the Parish web-site, and the Parish Council would like to participate in the process of developing the content and selecting a host company.

HUMAN CONCERNS: The committee appealed for help on Hospitality Sundays and with funerals. Parish Life may be able to assist with Hospitality Sundays, and the Altar Society with funerals.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Rectory electrical work is underway. The new safe was installed. An estimate of \$50,000 was received to replace the brick garage - insurance coverage is now \$69,000. The committee is looking at putting a larger sink in the Sacristy from donated funds. A steam line leak under the gym floor at the school was found, and will attempt to be repaired during the holidays.

SCHOOL ADVISORY: There are 104 families with children in the school, 43 paid in full, most remaining paid in half. Six families are on the Angel Fund, and three families have paid nothing - statements will be sent out with report cards in November to families who still owe tuition. The Algebra program has been cancelled due to the excessive workload - one girl is going to Badger for the class. Home and School made \$1200 at Octoberfest at the apple booth. They will sponsor a Halloween Party on the Oct. 28th, will sponsor the Advent breakfast on December 6, and are planning to do the play again as well as a casino night. Scrip will not be done every week after Mass. The 8th grade students sold all of their pumpkins to help with funds for their Washington, D.C. trip.

FINANCE: The pig roast brought in \$35,000, better than last year. Income for the first quarter is ahead of last year by \$54,000, \$40,000 was from fund raisers. Expenses are as expected. Our cash position is \$450,000, of which \$20,000 is set aside for the Angel Fund.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION: Christian Formation is working on developing First Communion preparation, youth retreats, and other ideas. They are also considering promoting the Men of Christ outreach program who meet at St. Mary's Church in Burlington.

PARISH LIFE: Planning has started for the chili cook-off and for the Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration on December 12.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP: Leo Borghraef volunteered to be a liaison to this committee.