

**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH**  
**Council Meeting**  
**May 27, 2010**

**PRESENT:** Not recorded.

The previous meeting's minutes were accepted as reported.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Archdiocese approved the Parish Constitution and Bylaws, with one caveat regarding Parish Life as a standing committee. The Archdiocese plans to update their documentation; we will proceed with "business as usual" until our documentation is updated again in five (5) years. Archbishop ListECKI sees the Dean as a "projection" of the Bishop to the District, where previously under Archbishop Dolan the Dean represented the needs of the Districts to the Bishop via the Council of Priests; Fr. Terry is currently the Dean of District 3. The Catholics Returning Home initiative continues. The position of Parish Nurse has been eliminated due to lack of funding. Over 40 participated in the pilgrimage to LaCrosse, and there is interest in promoting future pilgrimages, retreats, and other ideas in part with the Catholics Returning Home initiative. Retreats in the Hispanic community have been successful; Inspiration Center is a preferred venue; fundraising efforts likely needed to supplement negotiated rates, but achievable. Updates to follow.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Leo will move into Prayer & Worship. CCHS reports increased participation; the budget is balanced; Greg Groth staying on as Principal; faculty is young and energetic; no student issues; position of Vice Principal will be eliminated; hopeful regarding continued enrollment growth. Holy Cross Parish in Bristol will withdraw as a member parish as of June 30. The Rummage Sale is planned for June; help is needed.

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS:** No report.

**SCHOOL ADVISORY:** There are 2 openings on the committee, with 2 interested parties. Class of 2010 was 12 students; smallest class size in years. Lunch with Fr. Terry; Graduation dinner and celebrations June 3; graduation June 5. Major cuts needed for upcoming budget, down \$75K to \$315K. Teachers lower paid than public schools, but higher paid than other Catholic schools. Casino night took in \$27K (about the same as last year). Silent Auction under review after revenues down \$6K from last year. Budget numbers shared with the staff.

**FINANCE:** Next year's budget was approved with a deficit of \$75,000. Greg motioned, and Dave/Mary seconded.

**HUMAN CONCERNS:** No update.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION:** "Fitness for your Body and Soul", an event that combines a book club with a group led walk/run is in the works, beginning June 21. The group will meet at Starbuck's at 6:25 p.m. with the walk/run portion lasting approximately 30 minutes. The first meeting will include the program overview and walk/run.

**PRAYER AND WORSHIP:** Leo Borghgraef will join the council as liaison to this committee.

**PARISH LIFE:** The Parish directory will finish in June. The “Fireproof” movie attendance was low, but all who attended enjoyed the event. An outing to Brewer’s game is in the works. Bill made a motion to approve the \$225 to front the money for tickets, and Mary seconded the motion. A new St. Francis de Sales Artist Series fundraising effort is being developed. Working with Maureen Winkler to finalize dates for a Driehaus Fundraiser.