

**MINUTES
CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014**

Attending:

Ray Ruess, Vice-Chairperson
Carole Warren
Harold Schultz
Paul F. McTighe, Jr.
Mike Short
David Jones
Susan Edmonds
Father Steve Austin

Absent

Sharon Doty, Chairperson
Stefan Mecke
Albert Septiano
Anne Sublett
Jennifer Rau

Guests:

Karen Czepiel, Community Action Committee; Susan Wheeler, Parish Staff

Ray Ruess, Vice-Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

- 1.) Father Steve Austin gave the opening prayer.
- 2.) a. The agenda for this meeting was approved by the Parish Council by consensus.
- 2..) b. The minutes of the April 14, 2014 meeting were approved by the Parish Council by consensus.

The following matters were transacted:

3.) RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DISCUSSION

Susan Wheeler of the Parish staff gave a report regarding the new Religious Education program. The program will start on September 21, 2014. Susan stated that many parents do not continue with their children's religious education after the children receive the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Eucharist. The upcoming Religious Education program will involve pre-school through adults. The new program will include home study materials and family meetings at the church. The Parish Council agreed to receive Susan's report and to consider the report at the June meeting.

4.) LETTER TO BISHOP

The Parish Council reviewed Father Austin's letter of May 16, 2014 to Bishop Slattery. The letter involves the request of the parish that \$100,000.00 be transferred from the Bishop to our local parish account to be shared with the following organizations: San Miguel School (\$18,000.00); Xavier Clinic (\$23,000.00); Hope Food Pantry (\$44,000.00) and Catholic Worker House (\$15,000.00).

The Parish Council reviewed Father Austin's letter and approved sending the letter to Bishop Slattery by consensus.

5.) CARPET REPLACEMENT

Sharon Doty reported by e-mail through Ray Ruess that she discussed carpeting with an architect. The architect recommended that we use carpet tiles. The Parish Council referred the matter to the Finance Committee for bids.

6. LOOPING REPORT

Sharon Doty reported by e-mail through Ray Ruess that she discussed looping the church sanctuary for those wearing hearing aids with someone in that business. According to Sharon's source the church is not feasible to loop because of overhead lines.

7. SOCIAL JUSTICE DOCUMENT

The Parish Council received Father Austin's Social Justice Initiative document.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a.) Youth Minister—Father Austin stated that we are still working on it.
- b.) CPR Training—Carole Warren has date and will begin to sign up people.

9.) NEW BUSINESS

- a.) Planned Giving—Paul McTighe raise the point that the Parish should consider a Planned Giving Program. Father Austin stated that he would get information regarding it and would provide it to the Parish Council.

10.) OTHER BUSINESS

Father Austin reported that he will have a program on the Pope's Joy of the Gospel and a retreat.

11.) UPCOMING PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

- a.) Thursday, June 19, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
- b.) Thursday, July 17, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

- c.) Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul F. McTighe, Jr., Secretary