

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Approved Finance Committee Minutes Aug. 23, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Bill Denner

Present: Fr. Ray Burkle, Bill Denner, Jason Elgin, Liz Stevens, Jim Wagner, Marsha Angell

Absent: Sam Taets, Annette Uker

We began with a prayer by Fr. Burkle.

Minutes from May 24, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Motion by Jim to approve minutes. Second by Jason. Minutes were approved.

Financial Statements –Bill would like to see a line item of totals of salaries w/ other expenses before capital improvements. It would be easier to see operating expenses vs. building expenses. Discussion about expenses, taxa, and where to put certain expenses & donations. Stewardship and offerings are down so Father Ray will put together a letter for parishioners reminding them to continue with their weekly offering. The financial reports were accepted as amended.

Old Business

Church Funeral Costs: Discussion about costs of using church and other building areas for funerals. Bill asked what other parishes do and Father Ray said he would talk to Schroeder & Sites in St. Ansgar to see what they pay to Visitation. We should try to get the two churches using the same fees.

Other Rental Costs: This would be for reunions, receptions, etc. The Seminary charges \$150 for 2 yrs and \$400 for 4 hr for downstairs. Bring ideas and costs to next meeting so we can start discussion on rental fees.

Fundraisers: Bill suggested a chili/soup supper in January or February and including a silent auction. Or maybe hold it on a Wed. night to involve religious ed students as a service project. He also suggested we bring back the fundraising cross graphic with new actual totals on it, showing what has already been pledged and donated.

New Business

Moving to New Church: We need to start the discussion about who to invite to the move, when to do it, and how to do it. Bill suggested a processional from the Hall to the new church.

Election of Officers: Sam Taets has resigned from the Finance Comm. as she is now on the Parish Council. Bill Denner volunteered to be the Finance Comm. Chair, Jim Wagner volunteered to be the Vice Chair and Liz Stevens volunteered to be the secretary. Vote was taken and all approved.

Next meeting will be **Thursday Nov. 15, 2018 at 6:30 pm.**