Sacred Heart Pastoral Council

May 28, 2019
St. Isidore Catholic Center
Approved Minutes

Opening Prayer: Led by Father Burkle.

Attendance: Father Burkle, Steve Johnson, Tom Thome, Mark Ringhofer, Samantha Taets, Annette Uker and Bob Clark.

Absent: Clarence Kruse.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:58 p.m. by Steve.

Minutes of the March 26, 2019 Meeting: Mark made a motion and Tom seconded the motion to approve the minutes, and they were approved.

Capital Campaign Update: Fr. Ray passed along the following information related to our new church project. He is planning on putting the Thermometer back up, showing our capital campaign progress, and mailing a letter to all parishioners detailing where we are to date with paying for our project. We talked about the fact that out of 485 families, who are members of Sacred Heart Church, 240 have contributed to this project. To date, approximately \$1,920,000 has been contributed, which amounts to an average of approximately \$7,500 for each family who contributed to the project. A few contributions have come from outside our parish. To date, we have spent approximately \$5,345,388 on this project and have a loan debt of approximately \$2,974,000.

Building Committee and Finances: Leo Chisholm attended our meeting and passed along the following information. He told us that whenever the weather straightens out, the contractor will work on finishing the outside of the church which should take 1 week to 10 days. He talked about the drainage problem, which hopefully has been solved by installing 3 intakes, the installation of a storm sewer line and the future connection of the church drain gutters to this storm sewer line. The total cost of this additional drainage is approximately \$26,000, which Leo Chisholm has volunteered to pay for. There is one section of sidewalk still needing to be installed on the east side of the church. Whenever all of this work has been completed, the landscape work will be done by Frank Kisley. Leo talked about problems we are having with the hot water heater in the Church Hall Kitchen and the cost of a new hot water heater being approximately \$1,760. He talked about the possibility of replacing the Church Hall Kitchen Dish Washer with a used dish washer from the Osage Schools at a cost of \$300 to \$400. Leo talked about a church roof problem with the sips panels buckling the shingles whenever there is frost. He recommended requiring the contractor to place \$100,000 in an Escrow Account for a period of 20 years to cover the replacement of the shingles should the need arise. Fr. Ray stressed WE NEED DECENT WEATHER to allow the contractors to complete their work. We also talked about the need to install a privacy enclosure for the dumpsters.

Finance Report: Fr. Ray told us he is planning on including a Farm Financial Report with the letter he is sending out to all parishioners, showing last year's total profit from the Vols Farm being \$29,907. Samantha asked if we could receive a short report from all Sacred Heart Committees whenever they have a meeting? Fr. Ray told us the Approved Minutes from each of their meetings are placed on the St. Isidore Website but that he would send each of us a copy of their minutes.

Pastoral Minister Report: Annette talked about the upcoming June 30 Polka Mass. She is presently trying to line up help to cook bratwurst and hot dogs on grills. She talked about the rest of the menu being potato salad, sour kraut, chips, ice cream, root beer lemonade, coffee, etc. She also talked about lining up help to serve the food and drinks. Steve suggested asking who ever cooks for the Stacyville Bratwurst Days for some advice on cooking the Bratwurst, etc. Annette also handed out a Hall Rental Information Sheet, asked us to review it and send her any comments we may have. In addition, she handed out Parish and Cluster Pastoral Council Meetings 2019-2020 Schedules to each of us.

Fr. Burkle Report: Fr. Ray had nothing to report other than telling us they are accepting applications for a CRE Youth Minister. He talked about the fact that no female has come forward yet to help chaperone the Sacred Heart Youth Trip to Nashville this Summer. We also talked about the need to drive 2 vehicles to Nashville in order to haul all of their needed gear, etc.

Old Business: We talked about using the Church Hall Rental Fees we came up with as a starting point and adjusting them in the future as needed.

New Business: Tom Youngblut, Vernon Niess and Gerrard May attended our meeting to visit with us about the possibility of selling the Columbus Club Building and having the Osage Knights of Columbus use Sacred Heart Church Facilities for their functions. Tom explained that because of other venue competition, losing income from guild and funeral dinners, income breaking even, the aging KC Membership and being encouraged to part with the building the Osage KCs are considering selling the Columbus Club Building. He talked about the By-Laws regarding the sale of the building which requires contacting all KC Members, inviting them to attend an upcoming KC Meeting and conducting a vote, from which a 60% approval is required to be able to sell the building. They said the KCs would be willing to invest in any additional needs for the kitchen. Bob asked about the sharing of profits taken in by any KC Functions with the church and we agreed this is something that would need to be discussed. We talked about the possibility of obtaining a Liquor License and Dram Insurance for the Church Hall and agreed this is something we would need to obtain additional information on. Samantha made a motion; Mark seconded the motion and the committee unanimously approved allowing the KCs to use the Sacred Heart Church Facilities for their functions.

Tom brought up the need for having a First Aid Kit available in the Church Hall, Kitchen or Gathering Area. Mark suggested placing a sheet in the kitchen listing where a First Aid Kit, Fire Extinguishers, etc. are located. Steve brought up the Policy for Cancelling Weekend Masses whenever there is a Winter Snow Warning. Fr. Ray said that although weather forecasts are not always correct, we don't want people traveling when they shouldn't be. He also said these mass cancellations based on forecasts will only be during the months of November thru March this coming Winter. Tom volunteered to serve on a Church Grounds Advisory Committee if and/or when one is ever formed.

Samantha made a motion and Tom seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Isidore Catholic Center in Osage.

Respectfully submitted by Bob Clark, Secretary.