

## **Pastoral Council Meeting    April 27, 2010**

Members Present: Sandy Blankenship, Ed Davis, Clarence DeMattei , Chuck Earhart, Father Tom Flach, Bill Harper, Bill Hess, Tom Kadela, Renee Kirschbaum, Adam Lawler, John Rains

### **Church Renovations**

Adam Lawler looked at the legal aspects of the AIA Agreement and approved it. The next steps are to get an estimate of the service and fees as well as a detailed scope of the work.

There was some discussion of ways to address the asbestos issues. It will be cheaper to eliminate the asbestos rather than work around it. We will be working with Freeman to accomplish this.

There was also discussion of whether we need on site management. Chuck recommended that we decide to wait and see if this is needed as we go along.

John made a motion that the council approve the contract for the renovations. The motion was unanimously approved. Ed Davis raised one issue of concern regarding a flat vs. hipped roof. He would like to see a cost estimate for each type of roof. He has some concerns about long term problems that generally arise with flat roofs. However, he did not feel that this issue should keep us from moving forward with the contract.

It was clarified that the small stain glass windows are a separate project, but that the large window is part of the general renovation.

### **Church Survey and Youth Ministry Updates**

Tom has not had a chance to do the summary but will do it this week.

The final youth PSR is May 2. There will be a dinner and trivia night as an ending event and welcoming for the incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders. A calendar for the summer season will be handed out. The summer youth ministry is more activity based and family focused. Many of the costs are underwritten.

The mission trip is currently being planned. The Youth Commission voted on using a "canned" mission trip if needed. However, they tend to be more expensive. Scuba, canoeing, and camping are being planned.

The Youth Commission is attending the Faith Formation Board to work with Bill Harper on catechesis and youth ministry issues.

Pepsi has given us 40 Holiday World tickets.

### **Pastoral Associate's Report**

Bill has applied for a grant of \$2500 for hand bells and a sound system. He will know whether he got this in the fall.

Confirmation plans are currently underway for May 19.

VBS will take place during the week of June 7-11. The Daughters of Isabella are giving \$1500 for scholarships to offset the costs of the VBS program. Six teens have said they would help.

There may be some rewording of Bill Harper's contract.

The Faith Formation Committee has begun to meet with the Pre-k to 6<sup>th</sup> grade catechists and the youth catechists to discuss next year's program/curriculum. Jenny Martin will give a report to the council on this.

Some of the issues the Faith Formation committee is addressing include:

1. The purpose of such a committee,
2. adult faith formation,
3. pre-cana,
4. overall catechesis

The purpose of the committee is to give more ownership to a broader group of people and trying to prioritize what is most important about faith formation. It will operate as an advisory committee.

Bill and Father are working on a chart of accounts through Quick Books to facilitate putting together a budget.

The Time Line Bible Study will be expanding to Herrin. We will be swapping materials with them.

#### **Other Business:**

Father proposed the issue of having a yearly parish phone directory published. We looked at several examples of directories. There is a 3 year commitment involved and it is usually paid for by advertisements. Ed Davis proposed that we try to do the project internally and had some ideas of who to approach. This issue will be table until the next meeting.

Father would like to update the church census, possibly this summer.

There will be a subcommittee to address the art and architecture issues for the renovation. Sue Hewitt will be here next week to give a presentation to this group. They will be working primarily on liturgical appointments.

The Social Committee will be meeting on May 12 to discuss their mission.

We are 35% beneficiaries in the Estate of Edward Schroeder. We stand to inherit a substantial amount of money. The council will need to make decisions about how the money will be used.

The meeting adjourned at approx. 8p.m.