

St. Stephen the Martyr Pastoral Council
March 28, 2006
Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Fr. Jim; Father Mike; John Klimek; Nina Homan; Jason Castor; Tim Kaplan; Mary Elwer; Laura Bogue; and Doree Kathol; Tom Jorgensen

Call to Order and Prayer:

Meeting was called to order by Nina Homan in the absence of Tom Maddock
Father Jim led the group in an opening prayer

Millard Learning Center:

Father Jim noted that Mike Huffer has the settlement check for \$27,500 for termination of the lease with the group known as the Millard Learning Center. The check is expected to be delivered on 3/29 and will be deposited in the general fund to replace lost revenue from rental. The builder who was associated with the original construction of the MLC contacted Father Jim and indicated his interest in assisting if it was needed.

Development Director Report:

Tom Jorgensen provided a review of current progress on the Journey to the Center campaign. As of 3/20 we had pledges amounting to \$180,000 from 145 households. Updated information will be available as of March 31. Tom passed our sample quotes and requested each of us to write up a personal witness quote for the bulletin. He is requesting this from the Finance Council and Pastoral Council as well as the Stewardship Development committee.

Tom discussed the phonation that is scheduled for April 4, 5 & 6 from 6-9 PM and requested our participation. There will be a prep meeting on Monday April 3 at 7PM at the parish activity center. Doree Kathol posed additional questions regarding the funeral luncheons and agreed to contact Tom outside the council meeting to discuss the group's needs and concerns further.

Budget Status Update:

Glen Stenger was not available for the budget status update.

Board of Education Update:

Mary Jo Rump was not in attendance for the Board of Education update due to a conflicting meeting.

Pastors Report:

Father Jim first of all thanked all the people involved with the recent successful First Communion celebrations. He also thanked outgoing Pastoral Council president Tom Maddox and the other outgoing members of the Pastoral Council.

Father indicated there will be an Archdiocesan Deanery planning meeting on Sat April 1st. Tom Maddox, Doree Kathol, Nina Homan and both he and Father Mike would be attending.

The council was asked to comment on the possibility of a second Sat evening mass. This was discussed.

Archdiocesan Liturgy group needs to have a representative from St. Stephen. Father Jim will find out if the representative can be a staff member or if they are required to be a volunteer.

Approval of Minutes:

Date at the heading of the minutes needs to be changed

Motion regarding Project hope funds should be adjusted to reflect:

Tom Maddock suggests future project hope funds go to the Parish general operating funds.

Motion was made by Mary Elwer and seconded by Tom Maddock, motion carried.

Minutes were approved provided the above adjustments are made.

New Business:

Pastoral Council:

Elections will be held April 22/23. There will be 4 positions open and Nina Homan has confirmations from 3 candidates. Dennis Placke, Tom Peal, and Sarah Franco. She has 4 additional candidates who are still considering participation. The members that will be exiting are Tom Maddock, Kelly Loss, Tim Kaplan and Shane Swanson. We thank them for their service to the parish.

Archdiocesan Pastoral Council Representative:

Doree Kathol described the expectations associated with the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council position. She indicated she has fulfilled this role in excess of the 2 year term and the council needs to identify a replacement. The person must be a standing Pastoral Council Member and required to attend four meetings each year. This will be discussed further at that next meeting.

Election of Pastoral Council President:

Jason Castor was nominated for position of President and was unanimously approved. Jason will organize a dinner or luncheon for the council and its outgoing members. Tim Kaplan thanked all for their support during his term on the council.

Next Meeting – April 25th, 2006 and new council members will join us.

Prayer/Adjournment