

**ST. MATTHEW PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
May 24, 2004**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Dugan, Markene Kaminski, Micki Klappa-Sullivan, Doug Rottel, Fr. Bill Stanfield, Dennis Tourangeau, Michael Kuick, Al Hobbs, Jerry Hammernik, Matt Knorr, Dan Duchniak, Phil Unti

Guest: Alice Hatzenbeller

Excused: Tom Marciniak

Formation: For Formation Parish Council welcomed new member Phil Unti and re-welcomed Dan Duchniak and Markene Kaminski, who have willingly renewed their commitment to Parish Council for another three years. Jerry Hammernik was also thanked for his six years of service to on Parish Council.

Chairperson's Report: Micki discussed the following issues

- An Adhoc Committee will be setup to plan the annual Parish Council retreat scheduled for the fall of 2004. At the June 16 Cluster meeting we will invite other Parish Councils in our cluster to join us for retreat. The theme of the retreat will be the Parish Theme for this year "Grounded and Growing". The Adhoc Committee consists of Micki Klappa-Sullivan, Doug Rottel, Tim Dugan, Markene Kaminski, Phil Unti and Dan Duchniak.
- Parish Leadership Day is scheduled for June 5 from 8 – 12.

Pastor's Report:

Fr. Bill discussed the formation of the Athletic Association. He presented the history of how it formed and reached its present state. He stressed that it should be treated as any other committee or group of the Parish and that the goal is to truly make it a Parish wide organization. The Parish Council then discussed in detail the confusion and communication issues that resulted with this topic. Parish Council as an oversight committee needs to watch out for the well being of the entire Parish and our liaisons must keep the entire council informed as well as taking information back to the other committees. Like all committees within the Parish the Athletic Association must follow all Parish policies including the current Parish Fund Raising Policy and communicate with Parish Council through its standing committee. The Parish council voiced concern over two areas of the Athletic Association bylaws: 1) equal representation on the Athletic Board from all parish constituencies and 2) competition among the fundraisers for all parish entities. Fr. Bill will work with the Athletic Association and within existing parish policies to address these concerns.

Following the discussion Parish Council approved the by-laws of the St. Matthew Parish Athletic Association. Fr. Bill will communicate this information to the Athletic Association.

Fr. Bill stated that discernment of Parish Council Officers would take place at the June meeting and asked all Parish Council members to review and plan prayerfully where they and other members of the council can best serve.

Liaison Reports:

ASCB Committee: Minutes submitted by Markene Kaminski - see attached.

Christian Formation: Minutes submitted by Doug Rottel - see attached.

Building Committee: Jerry Hammernik reported that Parish Council needs to now look to the future and plan for Phase Two of our building plans. New Archdiocesan rules state that Parishes must have 50% of cost in hand prior to any building (before 50% just had to be pledged). The Parish Council asked Jerry for a final report from the Building Committee.

Meeting Minutes: April Minutes were approved

Discussion:

Al Hobbs recommended that any issue brought up before Parish Council for discussion not be voted on until the next Parish Council meeting. All agreed and decided to pass this on to the standing committees through the Liaisons.

New Agenda:

Due to the lengthy discussion on the St. Matthew's Parish Athletic Association the following May agenda items will be reassigned to the June Parish Council Agenda for discussion.

- Archdiocesan Planning Committee Recommendation
- Conciliation Policy Discussion
- New Parish Theme – "Grounded and Growing, Gathering God's People"

Meeting Adjourned,
Respectfully Submitted by
Timothy P. Dugan

Parish Council Secretary