

ST. MATTHEW PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES – August 31, 2009

Parish Mission – “*We follow Jesus as a welcoming Catholic community of believers, fostering a life of active prayer and worship, sharing God’s word through education and action and reaching out in service to those in need.*”

Present: Cliff Shelton, Karen Franckowiak, Blanche McQuitty, Chris Adams, Jeff Menz, Fr. Pat, Mike Hoffmann, Larisa Knorr, Mike Kuick, Alan Bronikowski, Laurie Stodola

Excused: Troy Fields

Reflection: K. Franckowiak

Minutes: B. McQuitty moved to approve minutes of 6-15-09 PC meeting and Alan Bronikowski seconded the motion. Minutes were approved

Liaison Reports:

- (1) **Christian Formation Committee (CFE)** - Discussed the By-Laws and made additional changes.
The school’s tuition policy looking at allowing non-parish members to join the school at no additional cost. Additional discussion on issue will continue. CFC would like to draw up a policy on fundraising looking at the larger view – do we do too much fundraising. There will be no school auction this year; it will be moved to the following fall. Vision for budget was discussed. Concerns over Pastoral Associate leaving and who will handle her responsibilities.
- (2) **Prayer & Worship** - Chairperson and secretary were selected. Ministry Fair will be held the weekend of September 12th & 13th after all masses in the cafeteria. Planning and theme for the fair was discussed. Concerns were voiced regarding the Town Hall Meeting date now set for October 24th.
- (3) **Southern Cross** -
- (4) **ASCB – Stewardship** - Ministry Fair is scheduled for September with each area having a booth. *Building & Grounds* – South wing remodeling continues.
- (5) **Social Ministry** – No report.

Chairperson’s Report:

Cliff Shelton provided a review of Parish Council accomplishments during his year as Chairman and suggested possible growth areas.

Pastor’s Report

FIOF pledge totals are in the process of being tallied and the amount will be printed in an upcoming bulletin shortly. Expected dollar total should be in the area of \$280,000.

There is an expectation that the parish will need to hire three new teachers for the upcoming school year which will affect the budget. Work on this process will continue through the summer months.

Discernment of Parish Council Officers/Liaisons

The following individuals were discerned and have agreed to serve as follows:

Officers

Chairperson	Cliff Shelton
Vice-Chair	Blanche McQuitty
Secretary	Karen Franckowiak
At Large	Laurie Stodola

Liaisons

CFC	Chris Adams
Prayer & Worship	Larisa Knorr
Southern Cross	Laurie Stodola
Social Ministry	Troy Fields
ASC B	
Bldg & Grounds	Alan Bronkowski
Finance	Jeff Menz/, Mike Kuick
Stewardship	Larisa Knorr

Old Business

Home & School Change in By-laws - A discussion took place regarding a request for a change in the Home & School By-Laws, specifically regarding fundraising and how those funds can be used. Issues included the fact that larger dollar amounts might be required to purchase some items; the need for Home & School to have sufficient time to determine how funds should be spent in a given year; and should fund raisers be limited. It was determined that this issue needs to receive further attention/discussion in the fall. No decisions were made at this time.

Closing Prayer – Phil Unti