

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH COUNCIL
MARCH 26, 2019 (Approved April 23, 2019)

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastor – Fr. Tony Smith
Pastoral Assoc. – Bill Unruh

Chairperson – Joe Rickert
Vice Chair – Matt Rasche (excused)

Formation – Vicki Neuner (excused)
Worship – Dave Dalton
Finance Council – Joyce Nelson
Seniors – Paul Graf (excused)
Personnel Committee – Gena Rasche
Stewardship – Charlotte McClamroch (excused)
NDA – Dee Dee Nauert

AT LARGE MEMBERS

George Morse (excused)
Kenny Nauert, Sr.
Marian Hendricks
Denise Ruffra
Marilyn McNeill
Danny Atzinger (excused)
Julianne Davis
Josh Riley (excused)

Alternate:
Mary Doris McCubbins

Fr. Tony opened the meeting with a prayer. February meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Kenny Nauert, with second by Denise Ruffra.

PASTOR'S REPORT

- Fr. Tony reported he is preparing a “To Do” list for new pastor. Items for discussion include:
 1. Implementation of Strategic Plan, Discernment Process, Planned Giving, GeoThermal heating for NDA, Mass schedules, Mass attendance.
 2. Facilities Update: Painting inside Church and installation of chair rails in gathering space and Sacristy are complete.
 3. NDA school interior is NDA responsibility; school exterior is St. Lawrence responsibility.
 4. Future of Youth Ministry at St. Lawrence.
- Fr. Peter has advised he accepted a \$1 million offer for the St. Denis property. \$10,000 from sale will be donated to the NDA endowment fund.
- Neighbor's Property on Rockford Lane – Fr. Tony sent email to council & staff middle of March, asking for feedback, with information on the property near the gym, about 1/3 acre. Joyce gave more background information. Email replies and discussion during meeting agreed to ask Kevin Martin for bottom line figure to get all clear on liens, cleanup, surveyed, purchase and taxes. Planning on \$5,000-\$7,000.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – Joyce Nelson

- Joyce reported tithing down by 9.4% or \$19,454 for July-March. Fr. Tony said we will need to tighten budget for upcoming fiscal year.
- Catholic Charities is building a new headquarters at Holy Name. Archdiocese is requesting financial help from all parishes, which results in each parish being assessed 1% for 2 years (~\$10,783 St. Lawrence).
- Budget planning is in process – will present to Finance Council in April, and back to PC in May, to implement by July 1.
- Parish Hall: December had to replace a heating unit in the gym \$5,285.00. March had to replace air conditioning unit in upper classrooms. ½ gym exp, ½ NDA (St. L acct) exp. \$6850.
- Monte Carlo was a hit – sold out all 330 tickets.
- Fish Fry's have been well attended and excellent dinner.
- Picnic is scheduled for June 7 & 8. Tent, plants, entertainment on schedule. Chances are ordered, and will need help to prepare chances to distribute to parishioners, as in past.

- Regarding Fr. Tony's Retirement Party on June 2, after 10:30 Mass - Knights of Columbus will be providing fried chicken for the pot luck dinner. Discussion followed with suggestion to have a bulletin insert asking for number of people in family to attend and dish they will bring.

Booster Club – Joe reported that Lenten Fish Frys are going well. Cooked ~ 500 lbs of fish first 2 weeks. Due to Spring Break, expect attendance the next 2 Fridays to be down. NDA soccer in session. The little's soccer will start soon.

Worship – Dave Dalton reported we are ready for Holy Week and Easter.

Faith Formation

- Bill Unruh reported the committee is planning the Women's Retreat, scheduled for October 18-20, at Mount St. Francis. He has applied for grant from CEF to help cover expenses of Retreat.
- Discussed Dynamic Catholic, and books available free of charge with shipping charges. Also applied for grant from CEF to help purchase some books to give to parishioners. Advised he is exploring hosting a Dynamic Catholic event for the Dixie Highway corridor parishes. Dynamic Catholic's *Best Lent Ever* daily emails are being enjoyed by many parishioners. May organize discussion groups next year, if people are interested.
- Discussed the FORMED website that offers multiple opportunities through videos and bible study. Bill recently went through a phone orientation, and will promote using FORMED after Easter. Bill has applied for a CEF grant to help with parish cost to subscribe to FORMED. Dee Dee Nauert suggested showing a preview on screens at Mass to get people to use the site.

Notre Dame Academy – Dee Dee Nauert reported that Terra Nova testing was complete for grades 3, 5, & 7. Moving to MAPS testing. Grades 2, 4, & 6 will have pilot testing with MAPS in May. Three main areas in MAPS are Math, English & Reading. Still considering rosary garden. Dee Dee asked Fr. Tony if NDA kids can have a penance service before Easter. Fr. Tony suggested NDA get organized for penance service next semester. Joe asked Dee Dee about server training – Dee Dee advised she, along with David Maxwell, hope to set up meetings in Spring. Issues regarding training include parents bringing the children to training sessions & Mass. Discussion followed regarding possibly having 2 older experienced servers with 1 newbie to help with "on the job" training.

NEW BUSINESS

Joyce discussed recent meeting at St. Lawrence with CINTAS. They can provide cleaning products, mats, and many other products used at Parish, as well as help with inventory. They left several complimentary items. CINTAS provides items and service at a discount, due to serving 97 other clients in Louisville. Looking at changing to this service, to save money.

Motion to adjourn made by Kenny Nauert, with second by Bill Unruh. Meeting was adjourned with everyone praying The Lord's Prayer.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019.

Respectively submitted,
Dee Gossman