

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES
February 27, 2018 (Approved June 26, 2018)

STAFF/COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastor – Fr. Tony Smith
Pastoral Assoc. – Bill Unruh
Deacon Wayne Thieneman (excused)
Chairperson – Joe Rickert (excused)
Vice Chair – Matt Rasche

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

AT LARGE MEMBERS

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

Alternates:

Mary Doris McCubbins
Phyllis Ritchie (excused)

Fr. Tony opened the meeting with the Prayer for Parish Discernment. Matt Rasche chaired the meeting, due to Joe Rickert's absence. January meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Bill Unruh, with second by Julie Davis.

PASTOR'S REPORT

- Stewardship – Completed forms should all be returned to Parish office by end of February. Data will be sent to committee chairs.
- Debt – Will start pay back to parishioners in July 2018.
- Picnic – Recent meeting went well with Picnic Committee; still need co-chairs. Discussion followed regarding bands scheduled to play Friday and Saturday nights of picnic. Picnic Committee meets the 2nd Tues of each month, at 6:00 PM, in Parish office.
- Discernment – Had 75-80 in attendance at recent parish meeting. Denny Nash and Core Team will meet next to decide goals to be accomplished for the 3 areas. Will determine goals, action steps, timeline. Discussion followed regarding topics discussed at the meeting, such as Mass attendance, possible surveys, and better communication. All info can apply to the Strategic Plan. A sample survey regarding Youth Ministry was distributed. Fr. Tony advised the Parish Council is the conduit to relay information to Parish. Final report will be printed in *The Record*.

Finance – Joyce Nelson reported the Boosters are getting bids on the fire escape stairs on gym, with bids ranging from \$35,000 to \$9,000. Waiting on 1 more bid before requesting approval. The expense for the stairs will be shared between Parish, NDA, and Boosters. Also getting bids to replace floors in gym.

CEC's income is above budget, due to tuition being paid in full by several families. Still having staffing problem. Suzanne has not yet hired anyone for the Before/After/Summer programs. Plan to discontinue the after school care next school year. Will send out a survey regarding the Summer program. This will impact income/expenses for Parish and NDA.

The refrigerator went out at the Rockford Lane property, and being replaced, as well as a new dishwasher. Also a tree on the property needs to be looked at.

There is a big tree on Rockford Lane lot by the practice field that needs attention; need to establish ownership.

Grounds & Maintenance – Joyce Nelson asked about liaison with Mike Murphy retiring. This was discussed at January meeting, with agreement that we need a Committee. Fr. Tony said we need a list of all facility items, and need eyes to check on campus regularly. Discussed need for new St. Lawrence sign at James R. Meder Road.

Booster Club – Fish Frys are going well. Joyce reported LG&E inspected the gas line and there is an issue with the gas connection on fryers. Have received information as to how to repair, which will be done. Vicki Neuner asked why the Fish Fry wasn't advertised in *The Record* – answer was we have great attendance without the expense of ads.

Stewardship – Charlotte McClamroch reported she is working on a survey regarding communication, to better connect with Parish. The St. Lawrence address/blast goes to 426 parishioners, but few people actually read it.

Personnel – No report from Gena Rasche.

Picnic – See comments in Pastor's Remarks.

Formation – Bill Unruh reported that Mandy and Kevin Harvey will take part in Scrutinies the next 3 Sundays, at 10:30 AM Mass. Bill advised he submitted a CEF grant request for DiCaFF. Vicki Neuner reported all the Black Books for Lent were taken. The Lenten Evening of Reflection was attended by 30, who enjoyed the soup supper and Brother Bob Baxter's presentation. The Women's Retreat is scheduled for weekend of September 28, at Mount St. Francis.

Notre Dame Academy – Dee Dee Nauert reported NDA passed accreditation. There were Safety Inspection interviews last week. State Governor's Cup is coming up. Robotics competed recently, and finished 21st. Programmers finished 1st. Students preparing for KUNA, Quick Recall, Talent Show, and play rehearsal for Into the Woods in April. Bill Unruh reported he went with NDA 8th graders to a Confirmation Retreat at Crossroads. They were an awesome group. Will go with another group and DiCaFF students this Friday.

Worship - Deacon Dave reported plans are set for Easter Liturgy. Discussion followed regarding the beautiful music, and new songs being introduced to parish.

Seniors – No report.

St. Vincent de Paul –no report.

NEW BUSINESS

- Regarding security, Fr. Tony discussed recently received information from Homeland Security, which included a 22 page escape plan. Father has been asked about locking the church doors during the Thursday morning school Mass. Will discuss security plans further with Elaine Bachman.
- Two At Large PC members have terms that will end June 2018. Will discuss further at next meeting if they want to continue with another term, or if we need replacements.
- Bill Unruh advised we need volunteers for Holy Thursday washing of the feet.

Meeting was adjourned with everyone praying The Lord's Prayer.

NOTE CHANGE FOR MARCH MEETING: Due to Chrism Mass at Cathedral on March 27, the next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday, March 20, 2018.

Respectively submitted,
Dee Gossman