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ST. ELIZABETH PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting December 9, 2014 7:30pm Church Basement

Minutes

I. Meeting called to order by President Luke Holewa

II. Opening Prayer – Fr. Leo led the council in prayer

III. **Secretary's Report**

a. Roll call was taken

1. Council Members in Attendance: Father Leo, Cheryl Gadacz, Linda Dombovy, Charlie Stachowski, Mark Reimer, Virginia Lewandowski, Luke Holewa, Jean Kelash, Dan Ratke And Tim Ranweiler

2. Council Member Absent: None

b. Others Present: Trustees Ray Novak and Emil Broda and Yvonne Broda – Christian Women

3. Motion to approve the last meeting minutes, motioned by Charlie Stachowski, 2nd by Linda Dombovy motion carried.

4. Approval of Agenda – Motioned by Linda Dombovy , 2nd by Jean Kelash, motion carried.

IV. **Old Business**

a. **Tri-Parish Events Committee**- met on Sunday Evening October 26, 2014 at 7:00pm in the St. Elizabeth's church basement to discuss and create a google calendar link called "Events" on our parish's website. Any and all dates of events that were known or scheduled were listed in the appropriate months. Two representatives from St. Joseph, Brenda Rueckert and Gwen Pekarek, and two from St. Elizabeth Cheryl Pick and Cheryl Gadacz, none from Sts. Peter and Paul. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday night January 18, 2015 at 7:00pm at St. Elizabeth.

b. **Christmas Eve and Day Mass Schedule** –Christmas Eve 4:00pm at Sts. Peter and Paul and 7:00pm at St. Joseph, Christmas Day 8:00am at Sts. Peter and Paul and 10:00am at St. Elizabeth.

V. **New Business**

a. **Finish Ramp/Arch in Crying Room/ Pocket Doors in the Church**

1. Ramp is pretty much finished

2. Arch- A suggestion to build a new wall in the form of an arch behind the Statues.

3. Pocket Doors- options – refinish the present doors or make new wood doors. Fr. Leo said the two doors need to stay to keep the cold air from coming into the church especially in the winter.

4. Funeral Director Greg Wenner commented it was too hard to turn a casket in the foyer area in order to use the ramp. A suggestion was made to take off the upper bar in the left door so it opens flat against the wall, so the casket can go right into the ramp.

b. **Election of Council Members** - Positions of: Linda Dombovy, Charles Stachowski and Luke Holewa who have served to the end of calendar year 2014, all are 1st term and all possibly could be up for re-election if they chose too.

1. Suggestion to put a note in the bulletin asking for volunteers for council members.

2. Fr. Leo said he could announce this in church at our Masses (weekends) too.

c. Stable back in the Nativity – (In Church). Probably not this year we find someone to build a new stable for inside and outside for next year 2015?? Maybe need a new Nativity set for outside, Ray Novak suggested a solar light panel for the outside Nativity.

d. Decorating SE church for Christmas- Sunday December 21, 2014 at 1:00pm. Volunteers are needed, Confirmation Students are welcome.

e. Volunteer help to clean snow from sidewalks and steps – Tentatively Greg Gapinski will do the parking lot. Snow removal needs to be done for the Tuesday night Mass and the 10:00am Sunday Mass and if there is a funeral mass. Emil Broda checked out a snow blower for the lawn tractor for about \$1,700.00 (which includes chains and weights). Mark Reimer made a motion for Emil Broda to buy the snow blower and pieces for it, 2nd by Luke Holewa, Motion carried.

f. Lights in the Ramp- are pretty sensitive yet –were already toned down.

VI. Reports – Christian Women – Yvonne Broda

- a. Yvonne reported a balance of \$1,643.75, she covered expenses and donations
Income from various events – Silent auction -\$309.00, Dues \$65.00 and Quilt Raffle \$290.00
Donation from family of Sophia Muyres \$500.00

VII. Questions – None

VIII. Concerns/Comments

- a. Our Fish Fries (Virginia L.) Fridays February 20, 2015 and March 13, 2015
- b. Our Financial statement position, Fr. Leo would like to build up our funds to (\$100,000) so we can earn the \$3,000.00 of interest again (3%)
- c. Fr. Leo is pleased and satisfied with the ramp project.

IX. Next Meeting- Tuesday March 3, 2015 at 7:30pm

X. Adjournment – Motion made by Virginia Lewandowski, 2nd by Tim Ranweiler motion carried, meeting was adjournment at 9:10pm

XI. Closing Prayer – Fr. Leo asked for Blessings and closed with “The Our Father”

Respectfully Submitted by
SE Parish Council Secretary
Cheryl Gadacz