

Immaculate Conception Parish Council Meeting

Date: January 20th, 2008

Attendance: Chuck Hughes, Bart Baird, Tom Hupertz, Grace Stanziale, Wendy Fults, Dave Ayers, Ralf Caswell, Nick Stanziale

- Opening Prayer – Grace Stanziale
- Review of last month's minutes; minutes approved by Dave Ayers, 2nd Ralph Caswell
- Mission Statement
 - Publish the ICC Mission Statement “United in Prayer, To Love, To Teach and To Serve” to the ICC bulletin. Place on the front page. Work with Father Donnelly and Rebecca Owoc.
 - We need to put the Parish mission into action with all the commissions by breaking down the statement with each commission head and then from the head to all involved in that commission.
 - Have each commission report back to council all activities they are doing to promote and follow the mission.

Commission Updates

- Education - None
- Evangelization - None
- Finance Council –
 - Parish expansion pledges are ending over the next couple of months. Father Donnelly will get a final count of pledges and then evaluate the next course of action.
 - Chuck Hughes suggested that the parish brings back the Building Commission to assist with the expansion/renovation direction of the church. He also suggested the Finance Council provide a campaign contribution update for the parish.
 - In February, Finance Council will review their financial plan
 - Bert Gobel is now on Finance Council and brings with him lots of experience.
 - Expansion money has been put into 8-12 month investments. Interest from these investments have already paid off the campaign costs.
 - Good news, assessment envelopes are being used and the Parish was able to pay the December assessments in full. Finance Council hopes the parish can continue receiving the contributions and establish a good track record which will be important show the Bishop as we pursue the expansion/renovation campaign.
- Parish Life
 - Pasta night 1/25, Fish bakes begin 2/8 and continue each Friday during Lent, pancake breakfasts continue each month and we are sponsoring Mardi Gras Fun Nights for the PSR students (Ice Cream Socials). The Easter Egg Hunt is planned, as well as the Holy Week meals.

- Social Concerns
 - Nick Stanziale from St. Vincent DePaul submitted December balance sheet. Nick also informed council that St. Vincent DePaul is helping 30-35 people per month.
- Spiritual Development
 - Father Donnelly has given permission to have new monthly contemporary masses. This would consist of nine masses, beginning Friday May 2nd and continuing the 1st Friday of each month. Some discussion followed regarding the time this mass would start. This is still yet to be determined.

General Notes

- Chuck Hughes suggested collecting the email addresses of the parish members to establish another means of communicating important messages and activities to the parish. In addition, possibly putting together another photo-member directory which hasn't been done for years.
- Ralph Caswell informed council of Men's renewal coming up soon – Feb. 16th & 17th. Also, the pavilion is now done. It will be dedicated to Chuck Mallory in the Spring. In addition there are extra bricks which could be potentially used to build a fireplace at the pavilion.
- Dave Ayers suggested parish council move council meetings to 2nd Monday of the month. This change will make our meetings more accessible to the ICC Parish community. We will want to communicate the meetings to make sure the Parish is aware and know they are able to attend to listen to council issues and also ask council members any questions they may have.
- Tom Hupertz suggested we put a description or explanation in the Bulletin regarding the 2nd collections. Parishioners will be more likely to contribute if they have a better understanding of what the collection will be used for.
- Next Parish Council Executive Meeting – Feb. 5th @ 6:00pm
- Next Parish Council Meeting – Feb. 10th @ 12:30pm

Closing Prayer – Deacon Hupertz

St. Vincent DePaul

Previous Balance Date 12-3-07 \$ 4314.61

Income For (month) Dec-2007 \$ 2029.60

Total Cases _____

Gas 1
Electric _____
Water _____
Security Deposit 1
Rent 10
Gas Voucher _____
Prescriptions _____
Over night housing _____
Misc. 1

Total paid out \$ 2923.00

St. Vincent de Paul expenses: \$ 91.46

Total Expenses \$ 2904.46

Current balance Date 1-7-08 \$ 3539.75

Submitted by: Nick Stanziale