

Church of the Resurrection Finance Council Meeting Minutes

7:00 p.m. 22/May/2019

The mission of the parish Finance Council is to promote stewardship as a way of life, to ensure that parish resources are used in accordance with the principles of stewardship and to secure the financial stability of the parish for future generations

Members Present:

James Pfeifer (Chairperson – 2020), Sara Peiffer (2020), Fred Knoblach (2021), Erin Seghers (2020), Greg Davied (2021), Bill Cook (2021), Ben Relph (2023), Lauren Kuhlman (2023), and Father Schemm (Pastor)

Also present: Jodi Coulter (Parish Bookkeeper)

Absent: Nick Bombardier (2020); Jeff Englert (2023),

Opening Prayer – Father Schemm led opening prayer

Financial Communication

April financials were reviewed.

Jodi – handful of people sent in money after statement of financials to parishioners and last week's collections were slightly up

An email was received noting the need for the HVAC in response to the financial letter sent to all parishioners. Anonymous donor paid \$100,000 towards HVAC need.

It was recommended to send another letter in July/August to keep parishioners informed about year end financials, more communication is always better

Stewardship Message

In reflecting on the need for ongoing formation in Stewardship, suggested that Finance Council could read and reflect on Father Jarrod Lies's book, *A Grateful Response to God's Abundant Gifts*. Discuss ways for parishioner formation to understand that our Salvation is dependent on our need to give and this giving needs to be sacrificial.

Budget

Motion to approve to fund Honors Math program (\$3600) in alignment with stewardship
Motion to increase budget 2% over projected year-end contributions – general consensus on budget to allocate extra to repairs and maintenance since consistently underfunded.

Auction

Scott Robertson provided Fr a report of earnings over past 4 years detailing income and expenses. 2019 donation was \$63K

Kori/School Council determine how to spend money on school

Items Needing Funding

Rectory windows need restoration – Mid America Exterior bid \$9K/\$10K

Fred will discuss @ Facility Committee Meeting and bring recommendation to next mtg.

New range needed for kitchen – 2 home ranges more economical vs commercial since not used every day

Tuition

Non-parishioner tuition raised to \$4500

Building Fund – Funds above and beyond tithes

How are funds used: capital outlay & repairs/maintenance should be part of stewardship, we need to reimburse savings since that is what was used to pay off building note.

Motion to communicate the change and remove the envelopes beginning in July. Recommend adding that money to stewardship if desired. Motion passed with two nays.

Contribution Statistics – Jeff did analysis of contribution history and detailed trends. Review for next meeting to discuss.

Insurance – Mike Decker (Facilities Committee) getting appraisal numbers through Catholic Mutual. Need to align church, school, rectory replacement values.

The meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting: Jul. 24, 7:00PM