

Holy Spirit Catholic Community – Pocatello, ID**Parish Council Meeting****February 20, 2007****I Welcome, Opening Prayer**

- Opening comments from Rich Diehl.
- Present: Tom Belcher, Paul Yochum, David Alexander, Sara Castillo, Jerry Downey, Rich Diehl, Ramon Gutierrez, Jennifer Adkison, Cathy Heggenberger, Brad Bugger, David Davis, Ex Officio member Father Enrique Terriquez, Kathy Barkdull, and Secretary Debbie Gallegos
- Excused: Jane Vitale, Virginia Robinson

II Review of last month minutes

Jerry D. motioned to accept the January minutes and Tom B. seconded it.

III Capital Campaign Update: Kathy B.

Currently to date we have \$1.74 million in pledges. Kathy B. stated that there were many people who had asked to be contacted later. David and Kathy Alexander are in the process of contacting those people. Paul Y. asked if the article written by Father Taylor in the ICR was directed at Holy Spirit. Father Enrique has spoken personally to Father Taylor regarding the article.

IV Finance Council: Kathy B.

January income was down but February income is up. Maintenance at all the properties is going well. The Finance Council commended the maintenance crew for doing such a good job. School Auction was a success. Pete S. had asked that the capital campaign amounts in the bulletin be clarified because people were confused with the way the amounts are at this time. Recently there have been a lot of news articles relating to Parish Finance and Control. We are in the process of retraining the Ushers in the handling of the money that is collected at Mass. Two ushers will be required to put the money in sealed bank bags and put their initials on the bag. This will give more security and control of the money. There will be an usher training on March 1st. Jennifer asked what the percentage of parishioners that use EFT's. We currently have 3 to 4% of the parishioners that use EFT.

V Building Task Force: Brad B.

We need to communicate more with the parishioners. He asked if anyone has had any feedback on the communications that have been out lately. We will run a coupon every week in the bulletin so that people who have questions that need to be addressed or to give feedback. So far positive feedback has been coming in. There will be a 2 to 3 minute announcement at the Masses the weekend of February 24th regarding what is going on at St. Paul's. We have figured that the price of the appraisal of St. Paul's will be around \$7000.00. It will take at least 3 months to get the appraisal done. We are not sure how long it will take to sell St. Paul's at this time. The architects want to know how much money we have to spend on construction. Hoku is moving close to the Gathe Road property. Larry H. is going to get on the agenda with the City Building Committee so that maybe we can piggyback on annexation, etc. which will cut our costs down. Successful restructuring plans were completed for the new church and school to help reduce costs. Fundraising needs to get up and running again. David D. asked about the rectory at St. Joseph and if it will be put up for sale. Kathy B. stated not at this time. The next Communications meeting will be March 1st and the Core Committee will be Feb. 26th.

VI School: Rich D.

Virginia was not at the meeting but Rich D. stated that the Auction went very well.

VII Athletic Committee: Tom B.

Guidelines will be put in the coaches packets in the fall. Cathy H. stated that 2-C of the guidelines need to be kept in. Tom B. stated that the Religious Ed. Program needs to be more established and that there is

wiggle room with Religious Ed. David D. stated that Boy Scouts should be included because they are a certified Religious Ed. Program. Rich D. asked what about the Catholic Kids not registered in Religious Ed. They need to be registered at least on paper. Brad B. motioned to accept the guidelines and Cathy H seconded. There was one amendment and that was that the guidelines would start August 1st. Basic First Aid training needs to be done in the Religious Ed program and for the coaches. Brad B. will help with communications of the guidelines. We will table this until next month.

VIII Faith Formation and Youth Ministry:

Ann H. was unable to attend this evening. Jennifer A. reported on the progress of Vacation Bible School. The dates for VBS will be June 25 thru the 29th. This year it will be held on the St. Anthony Campus and be connected with the Summer Program. Kids will go to Mass at least once. The theme of the Vacation Bible School is "It Only Takes a Spark."

IX March 3 Retreat: Kathy B.

The Retreat will be from 9 am – 4 pm at St. Paul's. All parish leadership has been invited to attend this retreat.

XI New Business:

Stations of the Cross every Friday 6:00 pm at St. Anthony Chapel. Parish Council will be the host on March 2nd. They will need at least 4 to 5 people to help them. Stations of the Cross in Spanish are held following the Stations in English.

Cathy H. stated that a parishioner had heard a concern that the school is trying to run the show regarding the building of the new Church and School. It has always been stated that we are building a Church and School. The School understands that it will be in the 2nd phase.

Kathy B. stated that we are looking into having a new Church directory. She has looked into many companies and Olan Mills is the one that was chosen. The photographer will be here in late May and early June. This time people can sign up on line rather than calling in to make an appointment. There is no cost to the parish for the directory and an 8x10 photo is included for each family that is photographed. Families will be able to purchase additional photos if they like.

Sara C. asked why the locks were cut off the door where the stage and other items of the Hispanic Community were stored. The reason was that they were unable to get in touch with the person who had the key and the items were needed for the International Food Fair. Norm H. has put on new locks and a key has been giving to the Hispanic Community.

I X Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned with closing prayer. The next meeting will be at 7:00 pm on March 20th in the Pastoral Life Center.

Minutes submitted by: Debbie Gallegos, Secretary

Minutes approved by: _____ Date: _____