

# Pastoral Council Meeting

## MINUTES

2/17/09

7:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE

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| <b>MEETING CALLED BY</b> | Virginia Robinson   |
| <b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>   | Pastoral Council Monthly Meeting  |
| <b>GUEST</b>             |   |
| <b>SECRETARY</b>         | Debbie Gallegos   |
| <b>PASTORAL STAFF</b>    | Father Enrique Terriquez and David O'Neill  |
| <b>ATTENDEES</b>         | Ramon Gutierrez, Sue Johnson, Bruce Broswick, Kevin Helgeson, Virginia Robinson, Richard Holmes, Cathy Heggenberger, Jerry Downey, Brad Bugger and Artagnan Ayala |

Excused: David Alexander, Mike Huston, and Dave Behrend

### Agenda topics

#### OLD BUSINESS

VIRGINIA R.

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|  | Minutes from the January 20, 2009 meeting                    |
|  | Minutes were approved with corrections from Council Members. |

#### FINANCE COUNCIL

SUE J.

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|  | The January Income and Expense statements were approved. Contribution income is down by \$8,500.00 and expenses are up by \$5,507.00 in part due to the \$4,900.50 furnace at St. Joseph. The council asked that we watch expenses. Normal maintenance was done in January. The thermostats at St. Paul's have been replaced. Jim Liday and Keith Riemersma from the School Board made a presentation to ask for an increase in monthly subsidy to the school. The Idaho Catholic Appeal information was mailed to all the parishioners. The parish is required to meet at least 90% of the ICA goal or make up the differences. |
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#### SCHOOL BOARD

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|  | Enrollment remains at 174 students. Approximate proceeds from the Auctions were \$39,000. Childcare and Hot Lunch expenses have begun to level off but remain over budget year-to-date. |
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#### YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

DAVID O.

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|  | There are 1151 kids registered to go ICYC the highest amount of kids ever. We have 28 youth from Pocatello going and 130 youth from the Eastern Deanery. Through sponsorships they have raised nearly all the money to send the kids to ICYC. They have ordered 3 buses and 1 van to transport the youth from the Eastern Deanery. Father Enrique has asked that the press be notified so that there is some publicity of the youth leaving for ICYC. The Confirmation youth will be going to Idaho Falls on February 28 <sup>th</sup> for a presentation by Brad Henning. Youth Masses are going well and we are thinking about having two a month starting next year. |
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#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR FAITH FORMATION (REFF)

FATHER ENRIQUE

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|  | We are currently looking for a person to take over the coordination of the K-6 <sup>th</sup> grade Religious Education Program. Nancy Corgiat has done a great job at overseeing the k-6 <sup>th</sup> grade Religious Education Program. Edge and Lifeteen are in need of more core group members. The REFF committee is looking to get some feedback from the youth that are currently attending. They are planning on doing this through a game. They would also like to speak to the parents. They would like to see the K-6 <sup>th</sup> RE classes move to Sunday but this depends on whether or not they are able to get teachers. The Religious Education programs have made tremendous progress. The REFF committee has done a great job but there is always room for improvement. There is a need for Adult Religious Education program. Father Enrique has asked Thomas Smith, Jennifer Wise, Bill O'Brien and Kathy Alexander to be a team and form a Religious Education program for Adults. Thomas Smith will be leading the Lenten Retreat. |
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**NEW BUILDING PROCESS**

BRAD B.

Last couple of months has been very active. A series of donor informational dinners have been held. They were all fairly well attended. People have expressed that they would like to hear updates from the pulpit. Rocky Mountain Engineering has been at all the meetings to answer any questions that people may have. We are planning a town hall meeting on Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> to inform the remainder of the people on the progress. The next big question is: Where do we go with fundraising? The Building Core Committee has suggested that we hold off on any major fundraising at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Homebound Ministers:** Gloria Steiger has volunteered to cordinate the homebound ministers. The main point that she will be stressing with the ministers is that they need to find a way to visit with the people besides just taking them communion. After looking at the results of the Best Practices we will be looking at different avenues to improve our community building efforts.

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| Closing Prayer      |                                       | 8:05 pm Meeting ended |
| <b>NEXT MEETING</b> | March 17, 2009 7:00 pm Parish Office. |                       |