

Parish Council Meeting  
May 1, 2013

Present: Msgr. Garrity, Walt Hanson, Patty Murphy, Tom Perry, Andrew Cieslik, Loretta Jacobs, Karen Balo, David Campbell, Trish Varga, Michelle Johnson, Mary Hopwood

Absent: Larry Lehmann (vice-rep. present), Larry Moran (vice-rep. present), Pat Flood (vice-rep. present)

Opening Prayer – Msgr. Garrity

- I. Renewal of PPC appointments for Larry Moran, Trish Varga, and Michelle Johnson
- II. Approval of minutes from last meeting – all in favor.
- III. Review of current financial status as of March, 2013  
(handout)
  - a. Have ordered the best sound system equipment available for church
  - b. More convenient switches for church lighting
- IV. Review of current status of school addition
  - a. Finally received approval in late March
  - b. Grated area off and brought in dirt to level the area.
  - c. Poured in concrete today, and once dried, will start far wall and foundation, then plumbing.
  - d. Will hopefully be ready for plumber in one week, so that we will have restrooms for outdoor functions.
  - e. We have a full waiting list for 4 yr olds (all parishioners) and few spaces left for 3 yr olds.
  - f. Still open to open August 1, 2013
- V. Preview of plans for new Parish Life Center
  - a. Msgr. would like to let all parishioners know about the Center at the Spring Fling.
  - b. Msgr. shows council members the first draft of plans for the Parish Life Center
    1. Vesting sacristy
    2. Glassed-in walkway connecting to church
    3. Bride's/Women's dressing room and restrooms with mirrors and dress racks, etc.
    4. Men's restroom
    5. Kitchen with serving window, etc.
    6. Separate rooms for youth and Knights of Columbus, each with entrances to kitchen and own storage areas
    7. Good for small funerals and small weddings
    8. Same bricks and architecture as parish office building
    9. Cost approximately \$1.5 million
  - c. Bishop must approve SJN capital campaign before we can begin. Probably will not be approved until after the Sacred Heart Cathedral Campaign. Hoping to begin February, 2014.
  - d. Hope to be done with building of Parish Life Center in 2016.
  - e. Motion to move ahead with Capital Campaign and Building of Parish Life Center –  
UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED
  - f. Handout – guideline for “Vision 20?? Campaign.....”
    1. Will need 50-60 volunteers to help spread the word and collect pledges
    2. 3 month campaign, pledges cover 3 years.
- VI. Spring Fling and Homecoming

- a. Spring Fling, May 19, 2013
  - 1. Still need a lot more adult volunteers to help with sports, etc.
  - 2. Will cost nothing to parishioners, but donations will be accepted.
  - 3. Will have 31 pavilion tables
- b. Homecoming, October, 2013
  - 1. Would like to invite back old parishioners, etc.
  - 2. Planning for first Sunday in October
- c. Would we like to make both of these annual events?
  - 1. Msgr. would like to have at least 2 adult functions per year and at least 1 for families
- VII. Church modifications, sound system, DVD
  - a. Everything is going digital
  - b. May add DVD option later due to expense
  - c. Sound system company – 3<sup>rd</sup> time is a charm
- VIII. Committee Reports
  - a. Administration
  - b. Communications (handout)
  - c. Family & Parish Life – no news other than Spring Fling
  - d. Education/Faith Formation
    - 1. 40 completed Confirmation this year.
    - 2. Completed Living the Eucharist meetings and retreat for the year and reviews have been turned into the Diocese.
    - 3. Spread the word for Eucharistic Congress in Sevierville.
  - e. Social Action
  - f. Spirituality (handout)
    - 1. May Crowning
    - 2. Corpus Christi – June 2 at 2:00
    - 3. Supporting Eucharistic Congress
  - g. Youth & Young Adult
    - 1. Would like to have type of Eucharistic Congress for the youth.
    - 2. Cieslik presents Science Tests Faith DVD
- IX. Old business
  - a. Motion to approve Seton Hall policies – all in favor.
  - b. Need guidelines like Seton Hall's for pavilion from Administration Committee.
- X. New business
  - a. We now have two very well-educated sisters at SJN school, Sr. Maureen and Sr. Angela.
  - b. Will have another sister join us in the future to help with counseling in marriage, family, etc.
  - c. We are very lucky to have so many very highly educated women working with us.

Closing Prayer – Msgr. Garrity