

Parish Council Meeting Minutes Church of the Most Holy Trinity July 20, 2010

- Father Kavanaugh opened the meeting with prayer and the meeting was called to order.
- The minutes were accepted as submitted by the council.
- Father Kavanaugh welcomed the new members: Francine Bailey; Scott Weinand; Joe Prouty; Nelson Parris; and elected for a 2nd term, Leroy Williams.
- Father Kavanaugh nominated Kurt Eyrich for president 2010-2011. The board accepted the nomination of Kurt Eyrich as president with no other nominations. Kurt nominated Jo Ann Cook as Vice President. Jo Ann accepted the nomination with no other nominations from the council.

Committee Reports:

- **Buildings and Grounds - Father Kavanaugh**
 - a. Today, July 20, has been a clean-up day in St. Francis Hall and the Parish Center.
 - b. If you see any problems on the property, please contact Helen in the office. She will pass the information on to Bob Meisner our maintenance man.
- **Education - Rebecca Quinn Shelt**
 - a. Our Vacation Bible School was the last week of June. We averaged 60 children per day. We had about 25 volunteers to help, adults and youth.
 - b. A new class will be formed this year called Multi-level Faith Formation learning. The class will be taught by Bobbie Butler and Kathy Snyder.
 - c. The registration for Faith Formation will be August 15.
 - d. The next Virtus Lesson Plans, Option Out Forms and Video will be available September 5 for parents to view.
 - e. All Immaculate Conception teachers without Catechist Certification will be certified at the end of summer.
- **Christian Service - No report**
- **Liturgy - No report**
- **Parish Life - Rebecca Quinn Shelt**
 - a. The date for the Annual Parish Picnic has changed to October 24 at 12:30 p.m. at Pendleton King Park. The Stained Glass Lecture will be October 30 and the first day for Faith Formation will be September 19.
 - b. A Hospitality Committee is needed for welcoming returning Catholics and potential new parishioners.
 - c. A ministry of the church will be designated to serve the first Wednesday Night Suppers each month. That same ministry that served can highlight their ministry with

- a 2 minute presentation. The scheduled ministry for the month will be in the monthly newsletter.
- d. Volunteers are needed for the 3rd Wednesday of each month to prepare and serve meals at the Masters Table Soup Kitchen.
 - e. Any ministry that would like to have pictures or articles in the monthly newsletter must submit the information on or before the 15th of the month for the following month.
 - f. Anyone interested in the Parish Life Committee, please contact Rebecca Shelt at 706-722-4944 ext. 314.
 - g. The Dessert Theatre will be August 1st at 3:30 p.m. in St. Patrick Hall.
- **Stewardship Committee - Debbie Young**
 - a. George Fry made a presentation on the Financial Peace University.
 - b. The group reviewed the priorities of our parish as listed:
 1. Build Community and its engagement: 1. Social; Hospitality/Welcoming; 2. Programs for adult, youth and families; 3. Parish organization; a transparent Communication Plan; 4. 3-5 Year Strategic Plan; 5. Specifying ministries; 6. Improve Immaculate Conception Catholic School and church relationship.
 - c. The Diocesan-wide Catholics Coming Home Campaign which will begin in Advent 2010 was discussed.
 - d. The Annual Stewardship Plan is being developed and will be implemented in the fall of 2011.
 - e. The next Stewardship Committee meeting will be August 10, 2010.
 - **Finance Committee - Debbie Young**
 - a. Debbie gave a current and up to date finance report.
 - b. The auditors recommended that we have another person to cross-check our accounts for both the church and school. Debbie will cross-check Immaculate Conceptions accounts and the bookkeeper for IC will cross-check Most Holy Trinity's accounts. The suggestions made by the auditor's have been implemented. All funds for the church and Immaculate Conception Catholic School are in order per the auditors.
 - c. A debt to the Diocese of Savannah from the prior years is still unpaid. There was \$136,000 in checks that had been held. The checks have been voided and reissued.
 - d. The debts for 2009-2010 are current and up to date.
 - **Bicentennial - Father Kavanaugh**
 - a. The invitations for the Bicentennial Mass September 10, 2010 have been mailed to parishioners and local clergy and dignitaries. Invitations to the Gala will be mailed next week.
 - b. Bishops who will be attending are: Bishop J. Kevin Boland; his brother Bishop Boland of the Diocese of Kansas City; at St. Joseph, and our celebrant for our Bicentennial Mass Bishop O'Brien.
 - c. The liturgy planning for the Bicentennial Mass has begun.
 - d. The Stained Glass Window lecture date will be available soon.

Ministry Reports:

- **Immaculate Conception - Jo Ann Cook**
 - a. There are currently eighty-eight students enrolled in Immaculate Conception and 87% of the faculty is Catholic.
- **African-American Ministry - Deacon Butler**
 - a. New officers have been elected and they are: Kathie Johnson, President; Tim Bailey, Vice President.
 - b. The planning for Black Catholic History Month, November, has begun.
 - c. There will be a National Black Catholic Women's Conference in Charlotte, NC the second weekend in August. Several women of our parish will be attending the event. There will be a National Black Catholic Men's Conference in New Orleans at the end of September.
- **Knights of Columbus - No Report**
- **Pro-Life - No Report**
- **Council of Catholic Women - Eleanor Willingham**
 - a. The Council of Catholic Women will have a Meet and Greet after all Mass the weekend of September 18 and 19. Fliers will be in the bulletins prior to the weekend.
 - b. The Annual Holiday House will be November 6 and 7 in St. Patrick Hall.
 - c. A "Nativi-Tea" will be Wednesday, December 1 in St. Patrick Hall.
 - d. The Annual International Taster's Festival will be Wednesday, March 2 in St. Patrick Hall.

Old Business:

- Father announced that the rectory roof has been repaired again and it needs more repair work.
- The Wycliffe Gordon benefit for Immaculate Conception will be October 1st at the North Augusta Community Center.

New Business:

- Father Kavanaugh announced that the Mother's Day Out program will be moving to the Parish Center on the second floor.
- Barbara Hicks has been assigned to serve on the Christian Service and Amy Peduto has been assigned to the Liturgy group.

A Retreat/Council Development Day will be scheduled for August. The date and time will be announced soon. The date for the next Parish Council meeting will be announced later.

Father Michael J. Kavanaugh closed the meeting with prayer.

Attendance:

Debbie Young
Francine Bailey

Amy Peduto

Deacon Elmore G. Butler

Rebecca Quinn Shelt

Joe Prouty

Eleanor Willingham

Jo Ann Cook

Scott Weinand

Barbara Hicks

Kurt Eyrich