

**Pastoral Council's Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 17, 2023**  
**UNAPPROVED Minutes**

**Attendance:**

Father Robert, Deacon Gary Vanness, Randy Conrad, Terri Romitti, Ted Zabel, and Jennifer Otto

**Opening Prayer** – 6:34 p.m.

**Discussed Meeting times and dates.** Times set to 6:30. Moved Joint Meeting of Finance and Pastoral to January.

**Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve 1) Terry Romitti 2) Ted Zabel; unanimous.

**Approval of Pastoral Council 5/18/23 Minutes** Motion to approve 1) Ted Zabel 2) Randy Conrad; unanimous

**Reminder Annual Meeting will be held September 10<sup>th</sup> following 10:30 am mass.** Will Van Rossum, Craig Schommer and Father Robert to speak.

**Review of Pastoral Council Members:** Looking to add 1 more member. Members are signed up for a 3 year term. Jill needs to update council list.

**Update on Family Fall Fest:** Event will be held on October 8, 2023 after 10:30 mass till about 3pm. Possibly have Joe Hinshaw's friends or Kate Fanning for music. Pay out as \$50/person for about 1½ hrs. Possibly have Mrs. Linwood for our Q&A session. New will be corn hole tournament, bake sale, craft sale. Will still have kid's games, bounce house, bingo and booyah. Jen will talk to Mrs. Linwood about Holy Spirits Bingo board. Michelle Huss was interested in leading a bingo night at church. Held Saturday after 4pm mass a few times a year. Will check with Buildings and Grounds for Fall Fest set-up on 10/6.

**Update on Strategic Planning:** Updated packets were passed out. All areas are doing well with the exception of music involvement. Also need to start a Fundraising Committee including Craig Schommer, finance, and Nikki VanHandel. Pick up more outreach for community.

**Committee Reports**

**1) Finance Council – Will Van Rossum (Randy Conrad)**

Keep meeting dates and times same as previous year. The rectory will begin updates in 2024. Finance review of school income is concerning but advised Mrs. Linwood to hire as needed. Getting another bid on boilers from the Building and Grounds committee to begin our One by One Campaign updates. The campaign met goal at 107%!!! Thank you everyone. Please continue to go through church member to update list. Currently have 1100 members, about ½ are not active or contributing. Overall, the parish is doing well, while the school needs some help.

**2) School Advisory – Jen Otto**

Currently looking to fill the 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade class teachers. The secretary position has been filled. Safety film has been installed on all the windows except inside doors to the school.

**3) New Evangelization – Gary Vanness**

We currently have about 200 enrolled. Looking to fill 1 catechists position.

**4) Worship – Father Robert**

Would like to have something special done for Grandparents Day in 2024. An ALL staff (School, parish and St. Edwards) retreat is scheduled for August 15, 2023 at the National Shrine of our Lady of Champion

**5) Stewardship – no meeting**

**6) Hospitality – Ted Zabel**

Social Sundays have been going well and keeps growing little by little. Treats are delicious!

## **7) Building and Grounds – Randy Conrad**

Haven't met recently but the roof has been replaced by Brockmans and Vosters. Thank you!!

**Deacon Gary** – An Annulment Workshop is being planned for Tuesday, September 26, 2023 after 5:45 mass. VIDA hosted a luncheon showcasing many possibilities for our parish to participate in including daycare, landscaping and hosting dinners.

**Pastor's Report** – Father shared an opportunity for all parish and school staff, volunteers and leaders to join. Event will be held at the Fox Cities Exhibition Center in Appleton. Event is free and held from 8-3:15, including 2 speakers, lunch and refreshments. Sign up now-October 6<sup>th</sup> Hope all are able to join.

Would like to set up meals at the homeless shelter. Speak with JoAnne Bowers to see what was previously done.

**Next Meeting:** ANNUAL PARISH MEETING is SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 after 10:30 mass.

REGULAR Pastoral Council meeting will be Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 6:30 pm

No meeting held in October

## **Closing prayer**

**Motion to Adjourn** at 7:41 p.m. 1) Randy Conrad 2) Ted Zabel; Unanimous

*Submitted by: Jennifer Otto*