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St. Bernard Parish Finance Council Meeting

November 28, 2018

Present: Curt Pietig, Becky Vonnahme, Chris Uhlenkamp, Kim Knobbe, Donna Wesley, Fr. Mark Stoll.

Absent: Randy Snyder, Open position (currently held by Kevin Koster)

Fr. Mark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led an opening prayer. Council members were given a copy of the revised St. Bernard Parish Finance Council Constitution.

The minutes from the August 12, 2018, meeting were reviewed. Because most council members at tonight's meeting were not present at the August meeting, no motion to approve was made. Instead, it was concluded the minutes stand as written.

Reports on parish finances were reviewed.

- Father Mark noted some changes on how finances are tracked in the general fund. He pointed out that St. Bernard is storing money from other parishes as part of the sharing agreement.
- The endowment checking account will be closed. No formal report from the endowment committee is being provided at this meeting.
- The restricted building fund includes \$63,408.52 toward the steeple project.

Becky made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Curt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Fr. Mark informed the council that all Kuemper payments from last year have been paid. However, nothing has been paid for this school year.

Ministry 2025 – Part of the goal of Ministry 2025 is to increase Mass attendance. Overall, attendance at all parishes is down. For example, during a November Mass count there were 534 people at Mass at St. Bernard. In 2016, there were 592 counted during the same time frame.

Old Business

Steeple: Another \$600 was collected this week along with a pledge of \$20,000 toward the steeple project. This means the parish will now exceed our fundraising goal for the project. Fr. Mark has contacted Krause Construction and work should begin in April after Easter Sunday. Any extra money raised will go toward the cost to replace side doors at the church.

Church: Estimates were reviewed for replacing side doors (north and south set). Becky made a motion to approve a bid from Carroll Glass for work to begin in the spring. Curt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Snow Removal: We're still looking for someone to provide snow removal. It was suggested to contact Al Snyder to see if he had an interest.

House Porch Renovation: This work is complete and was done at a minimal cost.

Stone Chapel Renovation: Brief discussion was held on repair needs at the stone chapel. Mary Snyder is working on compiling all needs. She received a quote from TBS for shingles. Around \$2,000 has been designated for this project.

Guild Fundraisers: The Valentine's dance fundraiser will be held February 9, 2019.

This year's theme is Blue Hawaii and Brad Morgan will again be the entertainment.

Turnout for the waffle breakfast on November 4 was better than expected for a first-year event.

New Business

Diocesan Appeal: St. Bernard has not met our goal. So far there have been 71 donors.

Driver's Authorization: The insurance company has new driver's authorization requirements to cover the parish for potential liability should someone get in an accident.

The next meeting will be held February 13.

After no further discussion was needed, Kim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Curt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 and Fr. Mark led a closing prayer.

Minutes by Becky Vonnahme, Council Member