

Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday August 29, 2018

Attendance (P=Present, E=Excused and A=Absent)

Class of June 2019

Pam Dauby **E**

Kim Ellis **E**

Donatus Weobong **P**

Abbie Zastawny **E**

Class of June 2020

Kris Campbell **P**

Phil Lauder **P**

Jo Polk **P**

Jennifer Posey **P**

Class of June 2021

Bill Barber **P**

Sarah Lilly **A**

Elizabeth Stark **P**

Andrew Taylor **P**

Non-Voting Members

Father Marcotte **P**

Deacon John Thompson **P**

I. Call to Order

II. Prayer (Our Father)

III. Introductions and welcome of new members

IV. Progress Report on Sacred Heart and Saint Augustine Three Year Plans

A. Many of the goals are on track or have been completed.

B. Strategies that haven't been met or that are behind schedule are as follows. Father Marcotte meets with each of his direct reports each Tuesday and this will be addressed with the parish pastoral staff that is responsible.

1. At Sacred Heart

a. Evaluate current state of the music program through focus groups and begin rebuilding our music program by calling forth the talent and musical interests that are already present in our pews. Current and former stakeholders must be consulted.

b. Research grants for air travel expenses to Haiti.

c. Review existing committees and their outreach programs. Review those organizations that are on our Caring Collection. Make needed changes.

2. At Saint Augustine

a. Evaluate current state of the music program through focus groups and begin rebuilding our music program by calling forth the talent and musical interests that are already present in our pews. Current and former stakeholders must be consulted.

- b. Preserve the beauty and structure of the stained glass windows at Saint Augustine church by having the windows cleaned and by replacing the safety glass and aluminum trim around the windows. After consulting with the original company a thorough bidding process will be used to secure the best vendor for these services. Bids to be secured by June 30, 2018.
- c. Replace roof on Saint Augustine Parish Hall. This will eliminate the water leak that is believed to exist in the hall. (This step is imperative if a complete renovation of the interior of the hall is to occur at a later date). A thorough bidding process will be used to secure the best vendor for these services. Bids to be secured by June 30, 2018.

V. Blessing Box at Sacred Heart or Saint Augustine or both?

- A. There has been more positive experiences than bad with other churches that have tried this.
- B. 1st Baptist on 10th Street in Jeffersonville is running one and we can speak with them about their experience.
- C. We would need to come up with some sort of parameters of how often we would make sure that it was filled up as well as who would be responsible for that.
- D. Elizabeth Stark is willing to speak with parishioners who are interested.
- E. Will speak with interested parishioner and ask them to move ahead with their proposal including where they would want to place it, how often we would make sure it was filled and who would be the responsible parishioners.

VI. Parishes response to the Clergy Sexual Abuse Crisis and Coverup

- A. How have we done thus far?
 - 1. Father Marcotte's homily was good
- B. What do we need to do moving forward?
 - 1. If new things come up we need to let people know
 - 2. We need to empower the laity, priests can't be expected to bear the full weight of the parishes
 - 3. We can't hold priests on a pedestal

VII. Concluding Prayer (Hail Mary)

NEXT MEETING: September 19th @ 6 pm @ Saint Catharine Hall