

**St. Gerald Parish Pastoral Council
School Library – August 8, 2013**

Present: John Proski, Joe Kalina, Jared Franzluebbbers, Mary Sheridan, Sharon Bissen, Joe O'Donnell, Kathy Yochum, Rich Martin, Greg Mendick.

Also Present: Father Owen Korte, Joan Luebbert, Recording Secretary

Opening Prayer: Father Korte

Minutes of Last Meeting on June 13, 2013: Reviewed and approved with motion for approval from Joe O'Donnell and Mary Sheridan.

Committee Reports:

School Board: Kathy Yochum - No meeting held – No report

Social: Joe O'Donnell No Report

Parish Education: Rich Martin – No Report

Stewardship: Joe Kalina – Meeting to be held later in the month.

Maintenance: Jared Franzluebbbers – Handicap Entry Access at 96th & Q completed. New playground equipment has been installed at the school.

Liturgy – Sharon Bissen – No meeting. Six or seven parishioners have signed up for EMHC training.

Human Needs: Greg Mendick –No Report

Finance: Mary Sheridan – Finance Committee will report Financial outlook to the parish on September 14-15 prior to the beginning of each mass.

Pastor's Report: Father Korte provided a short summary of the recent campaign to increase Sunday Offertory and indicated more information would be provided in the Finance Committee Updates in September.

Father Korte reported he has requested a five year time frame from the Archdiocese for the capital campaign, if the feasibility study shows a combined campaign can be conducted.

The school will adopt a school in Nigeria this school year.

There was a \$86,000 - \$89,000 deficit in the 2012-13 budget. Primarily due to less students than projected and decrease in Sunday collections. Money will be taken out of the endowment fund to cover the shortfall.

The Family Formation program kick off date is September 25th. Numbers are down, which was anticipated. There will be special attention give the second grade for first communion and the Confirmation Program. It will be important to keep the pulse of the program.

The Steering Committee Members for the capital Campaign are: Greg Brokke, John McElmeel, Joan Squire, Jim McNamara and Joan Luebbert. Two additional members will be added after the first meeting of this group which is scheduled in August.

Old Business

Discussion on logistics and planning for Pastoral Council Retreat on August 24th to be held at the Servite Center on the Marian High School Campus located near 72nd and Military.

Continued focus on more organization of the Human Needs groups mentioned and will be discussed at the planning meeting.

Contact list of committee chairs was distributed. All PC members were asked to contact their committee chairs and verify information and make changes as needed. Email Joan Luebbert of any changes before the next meeting

Closing Prayer and Adjournment.

Next Meeting is Thursday, September 12 at 7 PM in the School Library.