

St. Bernard Parish Council
Meeting Minutes
Albers, Illinois

Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Place: St. Bernard Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M., followed by the opening prayer by Deacon Glenn. There was not a Spiritual Reflection for this meeting.

The April 2, 2019 minutes were approved at the meeting.

The website is www.stbernardandstdamian.org.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Austen Lake, Ed Wuebbles, Lynne Huelsmann, Cory Goestenkors, and Penny Angeli, Ann Cannaday

Members Not Present: Luke Niemeyer, Stacy Schroeder, Casey Etter

Ex-officio Administrative: Fr. Anthony Onyango (present)

Ex-officio Pastoral Associate/DRE: Deacon Glenn Netemeyer (present)

Deacon Kevin Templin (present)

Ex-officio Trustee: Steve Schomaker (present)

Ex-officio Trustee: Jeanette "Nettie" Broeckling (present)

Guests: None

OFFICERS:

President: Cory Goestenkors

Vice-President: Penny Angeli

Secretary: Austen Lake

PARISH LIFE:

- Actively looking for volunteers to help with Vacation bible school
- Need someone to take over the Wurstmart and get a committee together

FINANCE COUNCIL:

- The Finance Council met earlier today, no final decisions were made on the church renovations
- Final decisions on renovations will be tabled until the finance council decides how they want to proceed

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building and Maintenance

- Discussions about the major renovations listed below have been tabled for the time being:
 - New flooring
 - Statues
 - Stations of the Cross
 - Angels
 - Stained glass
 - Church bell repairs
- Cables for microphones/cables on cantor side have been fixed
- People are still having trouble understanding Fathers homily – need to address speakers system sound quality

Education:

- For Sunday masses, there needs to be more training for Children's Liturgy teachers before the next school year starts
- Looking for 4 teachers for Faith Formation starting this school year

Liturgy:

- Need to put in an order soon for the new church directory, so it can be completed by 2020
- Life Touch, a St Louis company, did the directory last time
- Will likely do a joint directory with Damiansville again

VICARIATE:

- New assignment for parishes will be made on June 15, those who will move will know within a month
- On June 28 Bishop Braxton will become an administrator, will no longer be the Bishop

OLD BUSINESS:

- Confirmation students and parents have continued going to church at good rate
- Still need to meet with finance council for additional planning on renovations

NEW BUSINESS:

- Luke is no longer with our Parish and Casey is joining St. Francis Parish in Aviston – need 2 new members to replace them
- Motion made by Ann Cannaday to make Kris Anne Becker replace Casey 2nd by Penny – motion passed
- Steve is going to call Greg Kassen to see if he interested in taking Lukes spot
- Mike and Lynne Huelsmann are moving and will no longer be in the choir/parish – need to find another replacement for Lynne when she leaves
- Rich Albers has been doing maintenance and things are going well
- There is a tree Rich would like to have torn down as tree limbs have been dropping on rectory
 - Dan Thole will do it for free as a donation
- Check into solar power for the church – there will be a tax credit if we decide to go solar
- Getting ready to send out tickets for \$100 -need to hit \$22000 to balance the budget
- A month before the deadline we will meet up and try to sell remainder of tickets to those who have not already bought tickets, mainly those who don't go to church often

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

- Discuss raffle tickets at August meeting
- Need to find a replacement for Luke, Casey, and Lynne

NEXT MEETING:

- Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.
- Closing prayer by Fr. Anthony Onyango
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Minutes Prepared by: Austen Lake