

HOLY TRINITY FINANCE COUNCIL

Thursday, August 26, 2021 @ 6:30pm

Meeting hosted by Mary Gisler in HT MC also hosted virtually on Zoom

Attendance: Mary G., Fr. Neal, Bill M., Andy, Kathy P.(zoom), Tom N., Katie Parmenter

6:30 Opening Prayer – Led by Fr. Neal

6:34 Business Manager- Mary Gisler

- ADA – as of July 2021, we had 388 donors with actual refund of \$9,650.20, and a projected refund of \$20,983.85 if all pledges were fulfilled.
- Internet/E-rate update – fiber is installed and connected. We just need technical data to bring it online. Once it's online, we will cancel Mediacom. There will likely be 1 month where we have double billing for internet service.
- Financial reports/questions – Question about electrical cost for July answered by email. Tom suggested looking at actual usage. Mary will follow up.
- School Enrollment/Tuition – enrollment is at 388. Discussion of non-Catholic “Out of Parish” tuition. Father is thinking In-parish plus a flat fee. Bill asked about the upcoming Diocesan Capital Campaign. Father said that there will be some “sharing”, but not 50/50 like the last one. Not likely that they will suspend the ADA either. There was lengthy discussion the school regionalization plans, as Father Mark brought the Council up to speed on the status of this project. The overall plan is based on experiences of Diocese in Sioux Falls SD.
- Follow-up to July meeting – Mary posted all the Funds Held reports on a Google drive. Data has been shared with some members, and others will send Mary their gmail addresses.
- Endowment 21.22 budget support - There is some funding on our books from donations. The balance of the budgeted support will be requested from Phil Lockwood at SEI. These will be applied in two separate transactions. Mary will reach out to Phil to request this funding, and also to invite him to attend an upcoming Finance Council meeting.

6:50 Director of Operations – Andy Negrete

- Summer projects
 - Cabinets for 2nd grade: completed;
 - Cleaning service resumes; Waxing – we tried a new urethane floor application in the MS rooms”. This coating should last about 3 years. The cost was about \$7,000. Andy also bought protective pads for the chair legs.

- Plaza foliage – we had a company come to pull weeds and dead shrubs (out of warranty now). It is very difficult to get *knowledgeable* volunteers to do this work for free.
- Stations of the Cross – Father is planning to purchase new Stations. There is a poster display in church of the proposed new Stations. A donor stopped by recently and gave \$2,000 for a “specific project” so Father has designated this money for the Stations.
- SAFETY
 - Smoke detectors/alarms in church building – Atech is performing this work; We are still waiting for City approval of the plans. There will be beam detectors and Andy reported that the system will use cell phone connection for alarm reporting.
 - PK doors – both doors were replaced with metal doors. One door had a big chunk fall off, it was in such poor condition.: The door is old and is in real need of replacement. It could be a security hazard if it can be broken into. Father suggested that we look at a good commercial door that could be added to our automatic/computerized door security system.
 - Church Doors by bathrooms – are failing; they can’t be unlocked with a key – need a screwdriver. Andy is pricing new doors (aluminum with glass, just like the existing doors). The quote Andy has is about \$9,000 which everyone thought was a good price. With the new doors in place, Andy will look at installing the programmable locks so doors may be programmed open/closed.
 - Playground Equipment – we had our biannual DHS licensing visit. While we passed, it was noted that there is some broken parts to our playground equipment. There was general discussion about the age and safety of our playground equipment, which is at least 20 years old. It was generally agreed that this is something we will have to look at in the future.

7:25 Board of Ed – no report.

7:28 Adjourn