

## HOLY TRINITY FINANCE COUNCIL

Thursday, April 15, 2021 @ 6:30pm  
Virtual meeting hosted by Mary Gisler

Attendees: Shane Raemaker, Andy Negrete, Glen Hall, Bill Moore, Tom Nolan, Mary Gisler

6:35 Opening Prayer – Our Father

6:37 Business Manager- Mary Gisler

- ADA – 2021 goal is \$111,754. We have \$102,444.50 in pledges and gifts so far from 251 donors. Balance is \$9,309 to be raised, if every pledge currently made is fulfilled.
- FEMA – Our first FEMA claim has been reviewed, but only about \$12,500 of the over \$39,000 claim was approved. There is no timeline yet for receiving funds. This is due to how the government divided up policy periods. Mary is planning to submit another claim, but is doubtful about receiving much more funding.
- CFSWI – Funds have been moved to a Capital Preservation fund at CFSWI.
- PPP-Staff bonuses – as discussed previously, the Board of Ed Finance Committee submitted a proposal to use PPP funds to give staff a bonus to recognize all their extra efforts this year. The proposal has been discussed among parish leadership, and it is agreed that we will do some kind of bonus again this spring. The exact amount has yet to be determined. The Council recommended that the bonus be distributed in May, before the end of the school year.
- Internet/E-rate plans – Mary reported that we have signed an agreement with UPN for 300/300 up/down fiber internet. With the funding from e-rate, the monthly cost will be comparable to what we are spending now, and is planned for in next year's budget. Delivery date is planned for August 12. We will also be replacing switches this summer. The firewall and access points will need to be updated next year.
- Finance reports – Discussion of bank fees which are higher at Bankers Trust than they were at the Credit Union. Higher fees have been budgeted for next year. No other questions at this time.
- Online Giving – Mary asked if the Council had in the past considered online giving. We put a Paypal portal in place during Covid, and get about \$2,500 - \$5,500 a month through this. The Council noted the transaction fees associated with e-giving, but generally this has not been considered previously.

6:55 Director of Operations – Andy Negrete

- Church Livestream – is up and running. There was a power outage Holy Saturday which affected the encoder, so Easter Masses were not the best quality. The vendor has provided a new encoder. Father is creating more pre-Mass content. With the new equipment, there are now two views for Mass.
- Church A/C – Andy reported that our A/C unit west of the church was vandalized, and all the copper piping removed. It has been repaired, but due to the cold, the vendor has been unable to start the A/C up, so it remains to be seen if it will come back online for sure, or if we will need a new unit. Andy is fairly confident that the unit is still functional.
- Walk-in Freezer – after Easter Monday, staff returned Tuesday to find the walk-in freezer temp at 55. Food losses were about \$1,300. It has been repaired.
- Rectory updates – Andy is looking at costs for making some repairs/updates to the exterior of the rectory. Namely replacing the small amount of siding, adding gutters, possibly a new roof.
- Gala/raffle – We are not doing a Gala this spring, due to Covid. We are doing a raffle instead. Andy reported that we intended to sell tickets online, but found out that this is illegal, so we are just selling in-person. This brought up the topic of our Endowment and Foundations and if there was a minimum annual contribution that had to be made in order to maintain non-profit status. Tom commented that he thought that was for the church Foundation, which is a separate entity under a separate tax id from the parish.

7:05 Board of Ed – Shane Ramaeker - Shane shared a report from the Board of Ed: there will be staffing changes, Ms. Leas is no longer on staff, they discussed officers for next year, and a replacement for Erin Grillot as secretary.

7:10 Safety – Discussion of security on campus in light of the vandalism. Andy is looking at some safety concerns around the dumpsters, and may enclose that area. There were no accidents/injuries to report.

7:15 Adjourned.