

HOLYLAND CLUSTER PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

March 16, 2010

Holy Cross Meeting Room

Members present: Br Steve
Jim Kraus, MaryAnn Schaefer, Dennis Winkler, Tim Milligan,
Ann Boehnlein, Rosie Baus, Mary Schaefer, Jill Berenz,
Kathy Horn, Brian Boll, Julie Binversie, Janet Buechel

Members excused: Marge Gabel, Bev Feldner, Shelly Hellman

The meeting was called to order by Br. Steve who explained that Marge Gabel will probably be gone for the rest of our year due to a fall she took off a ladder at home. Ann Boehnlein will plan to lead the rest of the meetings this year in Marge's absence.

Ann lead the Council in an opening prayer.

Tim Milligan made a motion to accept the minutes of our February meeting; Ann seconded and the minutes were approved.

Committee reports received were discussed. Br. Steve explained the change in the name of the school board, as noted in Ann's CPES report, to the School Advisory Council. They would like to get away from the "board" terminology and the "advisory" terminology explains what they do: advise the corporate members.

Merger information:

-Br. Steve is working on filling the three open positions for Parish Council once the merger is complete. So far Laura Wagner, St. Cloud parish member, has agreed to fill one of the positions for a 3-year term. Names of other potential candidates were discussed. Br. Steve will follow-up. The new members will need to be at the June meeting when we assign committee liaison positions and elect officers, however, their terms officially begin in September.

-Paperwork and legal work is continuing.

-May 2 will be the celebration of St. Joe's 150th anniversary. There will be mass with a nice social afterwards in the school building. We hope to have a history display available at the social. Fr. Peter, Fr. Charlie and Fr. Oliver have said they will also attend.

-July 24th the Archbishop will be coming to the 4:30 mass to celebrate the merger and reinstall Br. Steve as pastor of the merged parish. There will be a social after that mass as well.

-The first week of May is when the membership mailing will be going out.

-Mark Kemmeter will be returning to join us at our April meeting. Br. Steve will follow-up with him to be sure he will be here and if there is anything we need to do before he comes.

CPES news included:

-Next year's school calendar has been approved with early release scheduled in on Wednesdays. That matter will be revisited, however, at the next School Advisory Council meeting. Parents will be invited to attend and give input on the schedule. Dennis Winkler mentioned that he has heard negative feedback on the early release days because of additional daycare expenses, etc. Part of the consideration was the additional duties the staff will have because we will have a part-time administrator and the preparation needed for the school's upcoming accreditation.

-Current enrollment is at 96 in K-8 with 3 or 4 still waiting to register.

-Part-time administrator position has been posted and applications received. The process continues.

Finally, Br. Steve informed the Council that we will be posting a job position for a full-time Director of Religious Education. Tim Milligan and Sr. Jenada will be stepping out of those positions. .

Janet Buechel "volunteered" to do the opening prayer at our next meeting which will be April 20, 2010 at 7:00 at St. Joe School.

Br. Steve closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Horn
Council Secretary