

HOLY ROSARY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL MINUTES
Wednesday November 18, 2013

1.0 Call to Order:

1.1 Welcome: D. Bergin Prayer: P. McCann

1.2 Attendance/Regrets:

	Attendees:	Regrets:
Pastor:	Father Boyd	
Chair:	D.Bergin	
Vice-Chair:		position open
Secretary:	A.Gazzola	
Cluster Leaders:	R. Charbonneau Jo Kealey I. Ius	
Elected Member:	F. Maine T. Wright S. Cornelius John McCormick	
Pastor Appointees:	P. McCann	
Finance	J.Lovelock	
Business Administrator:		S.Halloran

1.3 Minutes – A. Gazzola

2.0 Approval of Agenda:

2.1 Addition/Changes: - date of next general meeting Dec 11/13,
Building Report to be a sub section of the finance report

2.2 Motion To Accept: Moved: P. McCann Seconded: J. Lovelock

3.0 Approval of Minutes: (Oct 16, 2013)

3.1– Errors/Omissions –

3.2 - Motion To Accept: Moved: F. Maine Seconded: I. Ius

4.0 Planning:

4.1 Seniors and Sick - Father identified that there is a group of people in need of home visitations and he will be working towards acquiring a group of interested volunteers.

4.2 – Youth – Frank and Wendy are working on a program funded by the Knights of Columbus which would attract young people 18-25. The focus parishes are Holy Rosary and Church of Our Lady. A concern was raised that we are not reaching the 14-18 year old as well.

4.3 – Next planning meeting – Monday Dec 2, 2013

5.0 Business Arising

5.1 Cluster Reports –

Liturgy (J. Kealey) – there will be reconciliation December 16

- 4 masses will be held this Christmas and attendance will be taken to ensure times are suitable with the aim to make any necessary adjustments.

Adult Formation (S. Cornelius) – Concern that there is no internet in the new Library. John will check for availability.

- Rodney does the book reviews and may possibly need help going forward.

- marriage prep is held once a year over a weekend.

Children & Youth (T. Wright) – Friends of Jesus currently has 16 enrolled children with 4 volunteers in total

Outreach/Pastoral Care (F. Maine) – Collection for the pantry went well

- K of C has Christmas Cakes to sell with proceeds going to the parish pantry

- the monthly dinner feeds approximately 120 to 140 people

Parish Fellowship (R. Charbonneau) – Patti Weir is hoping to be replaced for doing the Sunday Coffee.

- more servers are needed at the card games

5.2 – Skills Survey – Will be distributed in January via the bulletin, welcome packages, at entrances, on the website

5.3 – Volunteer Screening – We are now members of the Volunteer Centre as affiliates of St. Vincent de Paul.

- as members of St. Vincent de Paul, we have access to their many services, one of which is access to their database of volunteers. They also post names of people willing to do odd jobs such as painting, repairs etc.

6.0 Chair's Comments - Dolores reminded the group that her term runs out next month.

- as a side note to this, there is the option of renewing for one more year.

7.0 Pastor's Desk

7.1 – Spiritual Council – Father is still reflecting on the direction he would like this to take

7.2 – Naming of Rooms – still ongoing. There was a suggestion to dedicate the rooms for a price and the dedicating person/company would have a small plaque indicating their contribution.

7.1 - Communication Committee – One member to date. Father is still working on acquiring other members.

7.4 – Jesuit direction for the parish – the question “What identifies a Jesuit Parish?”. Frank volunteered to put together one page which will hopefully clarify this question.

7.5 – Other – Father questioned whether 3 Christmas Eve masses was necessary.

8.0 Renovation/Fundraising - There is still a need for railings in the choir area

9.0 Finance – September finances reviewed

- offerings are showing an upward trend probably due to attendance increasing
 - WCDSB pays approximately 40% of the snow removal which is reflected in “Recovery of Expenses”
 - Common Church areas and Hall have seen an increase in Heat and Hydro. We are now heating an additional 1500 square feet with the new addition. The hall has a new furnace and we are already seeing an improvement.
 - Laity hours have been reduced
- Building and Property – the September walk about identified trees needing work. Some older trees are in need of being taken down. The ash trees along Renfield have been infested with the “ash Bore” that is killing ash trees.

10.0 New Business

10.4 - Open House – Father together with the Stewardship council will host an open house from 4pm to 7pm in the community room on December 20, 2013

12.0 Next Meeting – Wednesday Dec 11, 2013 Prayer:

12.1 Agenda items, Committee Reports & Prereads due by (the 10th of the next month)

12.2 Adjournment & Closing Prayer (Father V. Boyd)