

**Minutes for Finance Council  
St. Mary's Parish, Westphalia  
October 26, 2017**

**Members Present:** Jeff Cook, Chad Hengesbach, Bill Irrer, Trina Pline, Cindy Thelen, Lindsay Weber

**Members Absent:** Bill Nurenberg, Doug Spitzley, Troy Thelen

**Also Present:** Father Eric, Mary Enneking

**Call the Meeting to Order:** Chad Hengesbach called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

**Opening Prayer:** Father Eric led the opening prayer.

**Approval of Agenda:** A change to the "Old Business" of the agenda was proposed regarding the opening of a brokerage account to sell donated stock. A motion was made by Trina Pline and seconded by Lindsay Weber to approve the agenda with changes. Motion carried.

**Approval of September 28th meeting minutes:** A motion was made by Lindsay Weber and seconded by Trina Pline to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Father Eric provided an update about the Witness to Hope campaign. As of October 26, 2017, St. Mary's parishioners have pledged \$2,357,200.52, or 251% of the goal.

Mary Enneking provided an update on the maintenance project list and an overview of what has been completed around the parish. Steve Weber is to start work on the funeral chapel bathrooms.

Mary and some other council members looked into options for the parish to open a brokerage account for parishioners interested in donating stock to the parish. A few entities were contacted; however, large fees may be imposed if the parish opens their own account. As a result, Mary will continue to research different options.

**New Business:**

September 2017 financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Trina Pline and seconded by Cindy Thelen to approve the reports. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** November 16th, 2017 @ 6:30 pm in the Parish Office.

**Words From The Pastor:** Father Eric closed by thanking everyone for their hard work and asking them to keep the school building project and other parish initiatives in their prayers.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Lindsay Weber and seconded by Bill Irrer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.

**Closing Prayer:** Father Eric led the closing prayer.

Minutes taken by Trina Pline. These minutes have not been approved by the council. (Approved 11/16/2017)