

**Minutes for Finance Council
St. Mary's Parish, Westphalia
December 5, 2013**

Members Present: Chad Hengesbach, Greg Martin, Bill Nurenberg, Lori Rademacher, Brian Smith, Jon Thelen, Trina Witgen

Members Absent: Geri Pennell, Jarrod Thelen

Also Present: Father Mathias, Mary Enneking (Business Manager), Brian Flynn (Music Ministry), Taylor Feldpausch

Call the Meeting to Order: Brian Smith called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Father Mathias led the opening prayer.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Lori Rademacher and seconded by Chad Hengesbach to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of October 24, 2013 Meeting Minutes: Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Greg Martin and seconded by Jon Thelen to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The Immaculate Heart of Mary statue is to arrive in Lansing on December 6th.

Myers Plumbing and Heating came to repair/install new coils in the Church boiler the week of December 1st.

New Business:

Brian Flynn and Taylor Feldpausch presented proposal estimates from Simoni Systems Inc. for a new sound system in the church. Simoni proposed 2 phases for updates in the sound system. Father Mathias will look into getting one quote for both phases. A motion was made by Lori Rademacher and seconded by Chad Hengesbach to approve the purchase of a new sound system for up to \$40,000. The motion carried with no opposition.

The October 2013 financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Jon Thelen and seconded by Bill Nurenberg to approve the reports. Motion carried.

Father Mathias explained the new mass collection procedures that have been put into place.

Mary Enneking will conduct further research in order to clarify pay for teachers on short-term disability and FMLA.

Next Meeting: January 23, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in Parish Office.

Words from the Pastor: Father encouraged council members to attend the parish mission with Deacon Ralph Poyo in January. Father also expressed his appreciation for the discussion and input that took place during the meeting.

Adjournment: Greg Martin made a motion to adjourn and Lori Rademacher seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Closing Prayer: Father Mathias led the closing prayer.

Minutes taken by Trina Witgen.

These minutes have not been approved by the Council.