

St. Rose of Lima Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2015 7:00pm

Council Members Present: Msgr. Michael Reed, Deacon Chris Christopher, Bill Gibson, Steve Rhodes, Noelle Bradberry, Audrey Gibson, Joe Courey, and Kate Lewis.

Guests Present: Richard Collins, Gene Skalsky, and Martha Skalsky

Msgr. Reed opened the meeting in prayer.

Review of Minutes:

- With no changes or additions to the minutes, Bill Gibson motioned to approve the February 2015 meeting minutes. Kate Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Parish Business:

- Bill Gibson noted that construction to the second floor of the Education Building began on April 13, 2015. It is estimated to take 3 months for the completion of the floor.
- Steve Rhodes gave an update on the Parish website. Visitors to the site were given the impression that the site had been compromised or hacked. In actuality the domain name was in need of renewal. Sherry Rhodes and John Canning renewed the domain name and the site is once again accessible to visitors.
- Msgr. Reed announced that the Catholic Sharing Appeal goal had been reached. It was stated that the amount of \$70, 431.75 was met. An additional \$40,000 contribution to the Parish was also received.
- Several grants were noted to have been awarded to and applied for by the Parish. The Seton Grant of \$991.45 was requested in order to purchase a podium for the youth room along with Symbolon II, an adult religious education program, and DVD's on the Saints. Additional items include CCD supplies and a laminator. Through the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Florida, \$14,120 was received for technology for the religious education building. Msgr. Reed explained that the Parish received an additional donation of \$10,000 from the Chadburn Foundation to use toward adult religious education.
- Steve Rhodes spoke with Rob Bennett from the diocese who suggested speaking with the current St. Rose contractor to see if they would be able to take care of the mold in the church. Steve will provide an update at the next council meeting.
- Msgr. Reed explained that Air Design assessed the dead air conditioner in the Parish Hall and noted that it would cost \$14,000 for a new unit as parts for the pre-existing unit were no longer produced. Approval from the Diocese was given to move forward the purchasing of a new unit. Steve Rhodes expressed concern in gas usage and gas lines. Msgr. Reed will follow up with Air Design to confirm that the new unit is electric only.
- A new drop down projection screen has been installed into the Parish Hall. Msgr. Reed would like to see the projector mounted and will work with Deacon Massey on a potential new sound system. The new sound system would be permanently attached to the wall.
- Martha Skalsky expressed her concern regarding a new walk-in freezer in the parish hall kitchen and inquired as to whether a new door and floor seals would keep out any and all moisture. Bill Gibson confirmed that all moisture would be kept out. The council decided to go forward with repairs to the present freezer which two companies have said is still in

good condition but just in need of repairs. The council will revisit the freezer concerns if the repairs do not resolve problems with the freezer.

- Bill Gibson noted that there have been several break-ins into the festival booths and suggested that surveillance signs be placed around the grounds. Msgr. Reed explained that Bill Fields will install motion light detectors. This should deter anyone from continuing to break-in.
- Msgr. Reed suggested postponing further discussion of stipends for event staff. The possibility will be revisited later. Kate Lewis and Audrey Gibson reminded the council that event staff take on the position knowing that their time given is their contribution to the Parish. Steve Rhodes would like to see more parishioner volunteers. Msgr. Reed suggested holding a picnic potluck event to give information to parishioners on volunteer opportunities for the festival and other Parish events. Bill Gibson asked that the volunteer fair be added to the Mass announcements. Kate Lewis and Audrey Gibson to select potential dates. Martha Skalsky suggested sending all ministries an invite to participate.
- Richard Collins stated that he still has not been able to find a list of Parish ministries and contacts. Bill Gibson will e-mail a copy of the ministry list to Richard. Bill reiterated that each Pastoral Council member should be contacting the Parish ministries to see if any ministry has questions or concerns.
- Thoughts were gathered on Lent and Holy week events. The majority concluded that parishioner participation was successful. Parishioners passed out palm branches and candles during the Easter vigil.

New Business:

- Msgr. Reed noted that a suggestion was given to have a handicap ramp installed leading up to the Sanctuary and Pulpit. The current contractor will be asked to take a look.
- Parishioners and council members expressed concern about enclosing the outside walkway of the education building as water falls heavily outside of the St. Michael and St. Joseph room when it rains. In addition to closing off the hallway, Msgr. Reed would like to see the bathrooms renovated as well. Richard Collins offered to send Msgr. Reed the contact information for a contractor that could assess the current hallway situation.
- Gene Skalsky inquired as to why there were mounds of mulch located on the festival grounds. Audrey Gibson explained that the mulch will be spread across the grounds to help reduce the amount of dust that is produced during the festival and other events.
- The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on May 12th at 7PM.

Msgr. Reed closed the meeting in prayer.

Submitted for approval by: Noelle Bradberry, Secretary