

# *St. Boniface Catholic Church*

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## **Parish Pastoral Council – Meeting Minutes Monday, March 16, 2015**

Fr. Martino called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with a prayer.

### **Those in attendance:**

Fr. Martino Nguyen

Joe Bahm, President

Robin Smith, Secretary

Joe Colanero

Gerry Klock

Lorraine Eachus

Lisa Tanguay

Chris Weber

Jack Cook, Ex-officio, Finance Committee

Austin Czachowski

### **Those absent:**

Rick Rafter, Ex-Officio, Deacon

### **Disposition of Minutes**

Gerry Klock made a motion and Joe Colanero seconded to approve the February minutes.

### **Old Business**

Father expressed his gratitude to us for increasing Pattie's Leibl's hours and pay.

We need to promote more ads for the bulletin.

CCW and an anonymous donor donated enough money to purchase the defribulator.

"Fellowship" and "Ask Father" will be tabled until next month. Fr. wants to have one on a Saturday morning and one on an evening to see which one is better attended.

### **Unfinished Business**

May 6<sup>th</sup> is the date for Confirmation. The Parish Council, Finance Committee and others will have dinner with the Bishop. That will be somewhere between 4:30 and 5. After that he goes and speaks to the children being confirmed. The dinner menu has not as yet been decided.

On Holy Thursday our candidates that are joining the church will have their feet washed along with members of the Parish Council.

Chris Weber said that he would also stay on the Parish Council for another year.

### **Pastoral Vision**

The Ministry Fair is coming soon. The committee chairpersons will be speaking at each mass to discuss that ministry. Father would like the presentation to be personal to that person as to what the ministry has done for them.

Father is going to make commitment cards and he wants every family to come up to the altar and drop in a basket their card for the commitment that they are making.

### **New Business**

We had a visitor this evening from a company that works with many Catholic parishes to help with increasing their Sunday collections. The company is Our Sunday Visitor and the representative was, James Whittaker. He spoke about the company's goals for each parish and that they would tailor a program for us. The Savannah Diocese has given \$1000.00 towards the cost of the program. The Council discussed the idea and the program in great length.

Father's vision for us is to move forward as a family. We did not have a lot of leadership when the debt reduction was started. He wants us all to learn how to increase our offertory. He doesn't like to ask for more money from the congregation. It should be a program that we all share what we have. Gerry Klock suggested that we should offer to the entire parish family a program on managing their own money and then go to this next step. We continued to discuss. Joe Colanero wants us to be able to let people make credit card payments. Fr. pointed out that if you have total stewardship in your parish you don't have to do second collections. This discussion will continue.

We welcomed Austin Czachowski as our new ex-officio member representing the youth in the parish.

Lisa Tanguay said that 3 people have asked her about the nursery for 5 o'clock mass on Saturday evening. Chris Weber and Lisa Tanguay made a motion that it would be offered beginning on Palm Sunday weekend. The motion passed.

Chris Weber thinks that the big lighted sign out in front of the church is ugly and should be moved. We thought that there could be two spotlights placed on the church sign to highlight it better. The larger sign should be moved somewhere else.

### **Announcements**

The date of the Stewardship Ministry Fair has been changed to April 25/26

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2015

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. with a prayer.

Submitted by Robin Smith, April 20, 2015