

Minutes of St John Vianney Pastoral Council Meeting
August 13, 2015, 6:30

In Attendance:

Jan Corbett, Vice Chair
Ed Facciani
Suzanne McCoy
Frank Plominski
Mary Retzbach
Rick Toth, Chair
Lynn Volk, Secretary
Rev Michael Kirwin, Pastor
Deacon Ed Salva

Absent

Lisa Anzelmi
Mary Ann Paulukonis
Steve Takach

The first part of the meeting was moved to a room with a television so that video presentation could be shown.

Meeting began at 6:30 with a presentation by Joanne Wilber. She talked about a program called *Formed* that would allow the members of the parish to access internet content at a discounted price for the parish. The council agreed that it was a good purchase. A program to involve parents with their children's religious education was also discussed. Joanne found out about this program at a conference she attended. The program would have students do their lessons online at home and come in for one monthly class where parents will also meet as a group at this time.

Rick Toth then showed video from the promotional package of *Financial Peace University*. Rick stated that he purchased the facilitator package and has donated it to the parish.

The meeting then moved the living room and began with a prayer.

Minutes of July 9th meeting were reviewed and corrections were made. Minutes were approved as amended.

Rick gave the fundraising result of the Holy Cow BBQ. Initial results show \$20,000 in gross receipts with \$10,000 in expenses resulting in a \$10,000 profit. Raffle tickets for the baskets were impressive. 1,300 Cow Flop tickets were sold. 240 dinner tickets were presold. 136 chicken dinners were donated to St Francis Kitchen.

Progress on the Good New People initiative (1-B) was presented. This project is on schedule.

The 50-50 Covenant project (1-F) was discussed and is moving forward.

Financial Peace University, the program proposed to educate Parishioners about moving to a solid financial position was reviewed and discussed. (1-D) The Parish Council agreed that we should move forward with the plan to present this program as scheduled.

The structure of the Commissions was discussed. It seems that the Commissions need more guidance from the Parish Council and are over burdened by structure. The Word Commission is now defunct and needs to be rebuilt. The Service Commission is working and has several projects that just happen. It

was mentioned that there are other ways to structure the Commissions and that information could be found in the guidance n provided by the Bishop.

The Council then discussed the next book to be read as a group by the council. Ed Facciani had many good suggestions. Father agreed to read the books suggested by Ed and would make a recommendation at the next meeting. Father mentioned that he had several copies of the book *The Purpose Driven Life:What On Earth Am I Here For*. The council agreed to begin reading this book and use it for our continuing education with a potluck discussion to follow after the Holiday Season.

Next meeting is September 10th at 6:30 in the rectory

Meeting adjourned at 8:20