Parish Council Monthly Meeting-Unapproved

Members present: Cindy Adam, Mike Adrian, Denise Clarahan, Garry Dickey, Paul Fritz, Marian Milender, Curt Mottet, Ann Swanson, Shirley VanDee, Amy Webber.

Guests present: Rosemary Pacha, Steve Pacha, Carol Robison

Shirley VanDee led everyone in the prayer for Syria.

President Paul Fritz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at Mother Cabrini Hall.

Carol Robison read the minutes of the August 14, 2013 meeting. There was one correction made to the minutes under New Business. It should have read: Dean Greiner and Kurt Ledger will organize the wood cutting, to occur after the state fair. Marian Milender made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Amy Webber seconded the motion. Motion carried to approve the minutes as corrected.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Christian Service/Social Action**—Cindy Adam reported that the Blood Drive at Mother Cabrini Hall was held Wednesday August 28, 2013 from 2-6:30 p.m. 45 units of blood was collected and this will serve 135 patients. The next blood drive will be Monday, December 9, 2013 from 2-6:30 p.m. at Mother Cabrini Hall in Richland. Shirley VanDee reported that Cindy Adam will be taking the food donations to the food pantry each month.

**Family Life**— Garry Dickey reported the Religious Education Fundraiser Breakfast will clear \$650.

**Liturgy**— Marian Milender reported Amy Jones is coordinating the music for the mass the day of the bazaar.

**Maintenance**—Curt Mottet reported he did not have anything new. The light on the south side of the church in EPP is blinking. The extra towels for the bathrooms are in the furnace room at St. Joseph. Garry Dickey mopped and set up chairs in the church basement for the bazaar. Gene Reed has started Shirley's walk in shower project. Garry Dickey spoke to Caryl Cavner about getting to the porch on Shirley's house before winter.

**Faith Formation**—Carol Robison reported there was not a meeting in August due to having the Religious Education fundraiser. Families helped and registered at the fundraiser. Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> is the first meeting for Religious Education. The High School will begin September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade will join the High School. Carol brought up the mandatory safe environment program that all educators need to complete. The code of conduct must be signed and returned. Volunteer teachers must do the Virtus registration online. Carol mentioned that those that had done this so far had problems and it may take some time to complete.

**Church Life**—Paul Fritz reported there has been the same number of visits to the website each week.

**Altar Rosary**—Rosemary Pacha reported there will be no meeting this month. Everything is prepared for the bazaar until Saturday's preparation starts. Shirley indicated Bob Kiefer has had some back problems lately. He will need the help of his crew to carry the meat down the stairs and into the kitchen.

**Finance**-Amy Webber reported that as far as ordinary income, envelopes are tracking close to budget and offertory is not. Total income budgeted is \$10,255 and actual is \$8,084 currently. Expenses are under budget right now. Income will increase next month due to the bazaar but we will have expenses coming up that are not in the budget. A letter campaign will be considered after the bazaar. The annual meeting that was attended did discuss "unleashing catholic generosity" that could be considered in our parish. Our parish did receive the waiver but we may still need to consider the letter campaign.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The parking lot at EPP is estimated at \$2,480.00. Adam Ledger has the bill for this. They were able to repair the parking lot rather than do the full project.

\$1,283.00 has been collected for the Missionary Priest to build a clinic. Donations will still be collected the next two weekends.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Auction and Raffle will be held Sept. 15, 2013.

Curt Mottet has the large white tent lined up for the auction and it will be put up Saturday.

Discussion occurred on how many other smaller tents would be needed. Extras will be available for use that day if needed.

Riverside Casino did call Shirley back. They will offer a 1 night stay with 2 buffets. This is not printed on the raffle tickets but will be drawn from the raffle tickets.

Denise, Bill and Abby Clarahan will be helping with the silent auction. Discussion did occur as to where the silent auction should be located and on how to accept bids. The Clarahan's will handle the set up. Since this is the first year offering items on the silent auction changes can be made based on what is learned this year.

Paul Fritz suggested that the mower deck be put on the mower before the auction.

Shirley discussed a 4 week Stewardship Program "Fulfilling God's Purpose". This is based on bible study with a financial commitment of joy and commitment to the Lord in thanksgiving. This will be reviewed again in October as an agenda item along with the program previously mentioned by Amy Webber from the annual meeting under Finance.

There were no further comments by guests.

Everyone participated in the closing prayer saying the "Our Father" for those suffering from any disease or needing healing. Denise Clarahan made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Ann Swanson seconded the motion. Paul Fritz adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 9th, 2013 at 7 p.m. at Saint Joseph.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Adam