

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 02, 2023

AT-LARGE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Alt, Dave Bender, Lori Bernard, Donna Frazee, Greg Hardig, Karen Kovacs, Brian Linnemann, Carol Pieper, Kris Schoettmer

AT-LARGE MEMBERS ABSENT: Nick Roos, Brian Schmutte

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Rick Berning, Fr. Christian Cone-Lombarté, Mike Lambers, Fr. Tom Mannebach, Rick Thomas

CALL TO ORDER: President Carol Pieper

OPENING PRAYER: Kris Schoettmer

FINANCE COUNCIL REPORT:

1) Financials for the 9 Months Ended 03/31/23:

a) **Parish Actual Net Loss:** (\$33,000)

Parish Budgeted Net Loss: (\$196,000)

The actual results are approximately \$163,000 better than budget, mainly due to the following:

- i.) Net proceeds of \$212,000 from IggyFest 2022 are \$92,000 higher than budget.
- ii.) Facilities expenses of \$544,500 are \$60,000 lower than budget.

b) **School Actual Net Income:** \$10,000

School Budgeted Net Loss: (\$240,000)

After 9 months, there are many individual accounts with budget variances. However, some of the main reasons that the Actual Net Income is \$250,000 better than budget are:

- i.) Donations received (including donations for tuition assistance) are approximately \$77,000 higher than budget.
- ii.) Facilities expenses of \$336,000 are \$86,000 less than budget.
- iii.) Expenses for Professional Development are \$31,000 less than the budgeted expenses.

2) 2023-24 Parish Budget: Rick Thomas reported that Finance Council (FC), after review of the preliminary allocation requests submitted by pastoral staff departmental heads, deemed the deficit too high to set the 2023-24 budget. FC requested that each department revisit and look for reductions.

3) Facilities Update: Following the discussion and concerns outlined last month by Pastoral Council (PC) on the leasing of a modular classroom unit for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS), the plan was reexamined. It was determined that Loyola Hall could be partitioned and remodeled to include space for the 2 CGS Atria classrooms. A preliminary bid from Hudepohl Construction estimates roughly \$150,000 to do the necessary work. PC agreed this was a much more viable and cost-effective option. A final bid will be available soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) **Saint Vincent De Paul (SVDP) Conference Report:** Mike Lambers and Rick Thomas presented the 6-month report from the St. Ignatius Conference of SVDP. Highlights:
 - The conference currently has 21 members, meets twice a month, accepts calls 24/7, and makes home visits to provide rent, utility and food assistance to neighbors in need. It is funded through a 5th Sunday collection at all the Masses, as well as by private donations.
 - October 2022 marked its first full year in operation since the COVID shutdown. Total assistance dispersed: \$74,000, in 4 main categories—Rent (\$26,000); Utilities (\$16,000); Food (\$11,000); Aid to Other Conferences ((\$21,000). Individuals assisted: 242. Average assistance for the first 2 quarters of 2023 is running around \$17,500.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

- 1) **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Brian Linnemann made a motion to approve the March 28, 2023 meeting minutes. He was seconded by Lori Bernard. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2) **New PC Member Recruitment/Elections:** Carol Pieper asked that members contact interested individuals to confirm if they would be willing to go through a nomination process. She will then follow up by email with nomination forms.
- 3) **Setting Priorities for the Parish:** There was substantial discussion regarding short and long-term priority-setting. Fr. Mannebach would like to bring in a professional facilitator to lead PC through a guided reflection process to understand our mission, establish a new mission statement, and establish priorities. Tentative target timeline: late summer/early fall.
- 4) **Parish/School Engagement Committee Update:** The committee had its first meeting in late April and continues brainstorming ideas to strengthen parish/school engagement. PC would like to reinstitute the inclusion of a School Representative at monthly PC meetings to facilitate communication.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS:

- 1) **Staff Changes:** Principal Kevin Vance has taken a position for next year at a school on the east side of Cincinnati. Larry Kiefer, the Director of Stewardship and Facilities, is retiring on May 12.
- 2) **Priest Assignments:** Fr. Christian Cone-Lombarté will be moving in July to his new assignment as Parochial Vicar in the Queen of Apostles Family. A new Parochial Vicar for St. Ignatius will be assigned in July. Also in July, Fr. Tom Bolte, a former pastor of St. Ignatius, will move into the rectory and begin serving the parish as a retired-priest-in-residence.

CLOSING PRAYER: Lisa Alt

NEXT MEETING: June 6, 2023, at 7 PM, in the Fr. Gratsch Room of the parish offices.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Frazee
Pastoral Council Recording Secretary