

APPROVED
St. Jude Parish Finance Council Minutes
January 10, 2008

Members/Parishioners Present: Fr. Don, Carol Kittell, Brian Sengstock, John St. Andre, Larry Sterckx, Gary Tilot, Jayme Kujava

Excused: Fr. Andy

Meeting opened with a prayer and roll call was made.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved as written.

The agenda for the meeting was approved with one modification (“and what to do with the money” was added to item Vb - Advancing the Mission update).

Possible dates for a Quad-Parish Finance Meeting were discussed and narrowed down to 2/5/08 or 2/13/08. Carol will check with the other parishes and let everybody know. Some items to be discussed at the meeting will be shared costs and allocations between parishes, school subsidies, scrip, ideas on how to increase revenues, etc.

Larry gave an update that Buildings and Grounds had met with the soccer and football teams about our concerns regarding the wear on the fields. Soccer may not be back next year. Either way, both teams are willing to utilize both of our fields in order to reduce the wear on the lower field.

The School Board has proposed \$20 tuition increases next year for pre-kindergarten and \$75 for grades 1 through 8. This was approved by Parish Councils and was approved by the Finance Council. Fr. Don has told Jeanine to reduce next year’s school subsidy by \$15,000 in her budget.

The weekend of 2/2/08 and 2/3/08 is the kickoff for Bishop’s Appeal. Our goal this year is \$28,258 and one-fourth of this has been set aside from the Advancing the Mission Campaign proceeds.

A dividend check of \$1400 was received on the M&T Bank stock. It was discussed and agreed to sell 500 of the 2000 shares at \$85 in order to pay some bills.

\$1187.76 of additional funds are available from the Advancing the Mission Campaign. This money will be drawn out and used to pay down debt. All of the future monies will also be used for this purpose as they become available.

Members of the Finance Council will begin making weekly parishioner phone calls of appreciation. Carol will e-mail lists of names and phone numbers each week to each Finance Council member. The goal is to call every contributing member at least once in the next year just to say “thank you for your financial support”.

Financial Reports for the months of November and December were reviewed and approved for St. Jude Parish, Holy Apostles School and Faith Formation after some discussions and clarifications.

The meeting was adjourned.

