

## **Approved - St. Jude Parish Finance Council Minutes November 20, 2007**

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

Meeting opened with a prayer and roll call was made.

Minutes from the October meeting were approved as written.

The agenda for the meeting was approved with two additions (Light fixtures and Advancing the Mission update).

The annual meeting was discussed. It went well and the turnout was good so we will have it on a weeknight again next year.

A \$500 donation from a parishioner was received and has been spent on ongoing operating expenses. Stock worth approximately \$175,000 has been generously donated to the parish by Evie Noel. \$45,000 of this will be used to pay up all old bills. \$9000 will be offered to pay off a long outstanding parishioner loan. \$35,000 will be set aside for the office building roof. The rest will be used to pay off debt. THANK YOU EVIE!!!

The football team that used our field cut the grass all summer and fertilized in the late fall. However, the field is being worn out. Buildings and Grounds will meet with the football and soccer teams to discuss how to better preserve the field.

Buildings and Grounds will seek a few bids on the office building roof. New energy-efficient and bright light fixtures will be put in outside of the church building at a cost of about \$200. This will save money over time as the bulbs in the old fixtures were being replaced sometimes monthly.

After various communications with a number of families with students at Notre Dame whose tuition our parish is subsidizing, two families who didn't respond have been dropped from our list with Notre Dame. This will save the parish approximately \$2000

Starting in January 2008, Finance Council meetings will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.

An additional \$1783 is available from the Advancing the Mission campaign funds. This will be drawn out and used to pay down debt.

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

The next Finance Council meeting will be Thursday, January 10, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned.