

Holy Family Parish Council Meeting Minutes – July 22, 2024

Attendees: Jackie Mudd (Chairperson), Helen Arnold, Bennet Davis, Kathy Gardner, Elizabeth Hobson, Michelle Osbourn, Seena Iype and Becky Morris.

Absent: Fr. George Munjanattu (on retreat), Jim Gast

Jackie Mudd opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer.

1. Introduction of Kathy Gardner to the Parish Council. Kathy has been a parishioner for 4 years and is **the Co-Coordinator (with Debbie White)** of the Community Health Ministry group at Holy Family.
2. Picnic Update: Jackie presented copies of the Picnic financial report. We had another very successful year. The net profit was \$66,247, an increase from 2023. Donor contributions increased. The dinner on Saturday ran out of fried chicken, but customers were offered fried fish (which was well-received). Profit from the dinner also exceeded 2023.
3. Brick fundraiser: From previous meeting discussions, Holy Family will conduct a fundraiser to place a brick path in front of the new Holy Family statue and Stations of the Cross to make the area easier for walking and handicap accessible. The Council discussed two sizes (4x8 and 8x8). It was suggested holding the fundraiser between October-December to allow time to have the new path in place before Lent. Suggested brick prices are \$75 and \$125. The Council also suggested offering registration as on-line application instead of just paper applications.
4. Saffin Center update:
 - Riede room floor completed. The Saffin Center committee researching some type of acoustic tiles for the room to mitigate echo. Saffin Center has 6 sets of bleachers which haven't been used in several years. It is proposed to sell 2 of the bleachers.
 - Denise Deely has been hired as the part-time booking agent. She will handle monitoring the booking website, meeting with potential customers, contracts and organizing (paid) personnel to work events.
 - It was suggested a sign be placed near the Riede Room bathroom noting it is "not" handicap accessible. **Also suggested that signs should be placed near the restrooms that ARE handicap accessible.**
 - Other upcoming projects include bathroom updates, pursuing solutions for acoustics in the gym, painting bottom half of gym, re-taping floor for pickleball courts, placing special padding on the feet of chairs to prevent scratching new floors.
5. Safety Committee Update: Work for this Committee has slowed down. We are having a problem getting commitments to be "present" at Masses to increase security. Still need to schedule training for those interested. Door locking procedures during weekend services have been put in place.

6. Other updates:

- We've obtained pricing to repair church windows on the side facing the Archdiocesan building.
- A new HVAC system is required to cover the cry room, rest rooms and ½ greeting area. We have 1 bid but pursuing more.
- We have a bid to complete tree trimming around the property including the large magnolia in front of the priests' house.
- Upcoming events: Trivia night 9/14, Community Health Fair 9/29, Light up Holy Family 12/7, Comedy night in January, Organ concert (possibly 1/5/25), Altar Sodality Card Party 2/1.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. with a prayer.

(Minutes submitted by Becky Morris.)

Next meeting is scheduled for August 26, 2024.