

Finance Council Minutes
April 4, 2017

Attendees: Bob Heinen, Richard Campbell, Dave Durkin, Ed Jankowski, Candy Wilson

Budget – Looking at the cost of the Leaven, Ed Jankowski did the math.

Assessment:	\$6,531 for 310 copies
Paid by parishioners:	<u>\$1,847</u> for 88 copies
Difference:	\$4,684 what we pay to the diocese

In the Leaven there is a phone number to call if you want to cancel your subscription

Suggestion is to put an announcement in the bulletin telling the families that if they want to cancel their subscription to call the number and provide the number in the announcement.

Instead of paying the assessment can we just pay what we collect?

Decision: Fr. Mike says that the diocese usually requires the whole payment but he will check into options and get back with us at the next Finance Council meeting.

To help with the mortgage Richard Campbell suggested that he call the Steiner Group to see if it is feasible to have a second Capital Campaign. They should have data to show if it is effective to do this. New members who have come since the building was finished and families who pledged but have not paid anything could be the initial contacts.

Decision: Need to check into it to see if it is an option.

There is an \$8,400 diocesan assessment for Easter coming up. What if we just give the diocese what we collect instead of paying the whole \$8,400?

Decision: Fr. Mike has agreed to allow us to give just the amount that is collected if we do not collect the whole amount. He will also pursue what to do about any shortage.

The Parish Hall main roof is leaking. As a result there is mold growing in the upper kitchen. We have two bids for roofing. We need to consider this strongly in the new budget. Plan to review this in June. See how much money has not been spent in the budget for this fiscal year and apply anything left over to the roof. Also earmark any funds left over from the rectory repairs to the roof.

Decision: Notify Parish Council of the issues and have them weigh in. Plan to review in June.

Original Church – have someone check in to grant money to see if there is any available to fix the issues.

Decision: Ask Parish Council if they can pursue it.

Educational Center:

\$33,000 budgeted
\$14,000 spent on HVAC
\$4,000 on electricity wiring
\$3,000 on sheet rock material
\$23,000 spent
\$10,000 remaining

At the last meeting the committee wanted pricing on adding more walls. Will build one wall with no dividing walls yet. Also build a wall across where pews are and two walls on end by bathroom.

Angie was asked to check into the cost to add internet to the church for the classrooms downstairs. Right now we have 2 phone lines in the mechanical room that are used for our smoke/fire alarm services with Rueschhoff. That charge is \$80 a month. To add internet, the total bill would be \$145.22, an additional \$65 per month, \$780 per year. Marla thinks WOW has been bought out and there will be a new company with new prices soon. We don't need it until August or September so we could always check prices then.

Decision: Review in June and add it to the new budget.

Youth Director Position: We have one applicant so far. That applicant will be interviewed on April 7. A decision has not been made as to whether we will extend the time to receive applications. There a parishioner who would like to share some ideas with the Finance and Parish Council. Cheryl DeVillier is looking into that.

Offering Pickup: There are openings for Sundays beginning in May through September. Coverage as follows (in addition to the already scheduled Saturday pickups:

May	Richard
June	Bob
July	Dave
August	Ed
September	Candy

Note: After each Mass watch to be sure someone picks up the offering so that pickup is not missed at any Mass.