

## **St. John the Baptist Parish Finance Council**

### **Minutes for meeting on October 19, 2015**

I. John Style called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. He offered a prayer to start the meeting.

Present: Bob Buss, Craig Gezella, Gary Lewins, John Style, and Deacon Manny Torres

Excused: Dave Withee, John Hanley, and Eric Guzowski

II. Ministry Center Update: John Bellin and Paul Patterson offered an update on the estimates and preliminary plans for the Ministry Center. They will continue to finalize the plans and estimates with the expectation to present in the next couple of months.

III. A motion was made by Gary Lewins approving the minutes from the 9/21/2015. The motion was seconded by Bob Buss, and the motion passed.

IV. Financial Review: Deacon Manny gave an update that we went through the normal summer lull for parishioner contributions, but overall things are going well.

V. Reports:

A. Bank Reconciliation: Craig reported that the bank reconciliations for August and September are balanced.

B. Stewardship: Bob reported that the prayer campaign done in mid-September went well.

C. Site Advisory Council: Harvest Fest went well.

D. Building & Grounds: Fall clean-up is scheduled for Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup>. Also working on repairing loose kneelers in the church.

E. Pastoral Council: No report.

F. GRACE: No report.

VI. Business Managers Report: Deacon Manny reported that he is looking into asbestos abatement in areas of the parish office basement. The fire escape roof has been fixed. The water problems in the parish office basement have been corrected with the new concrete and entrance door. Deacon Manny is looking into bids to paint the school cafeteria, since there have not been enough volunteers to paint the area. He also reports there will be lighting upgrades in the church. The lights will be LED, which will offer energy efficiency over time.

- VII. New Business:
  - a. Gary Lewins offered a discussion topic of increasing parish member contributions. Gary was going to put some numbers together, which he will then send out to the rest of the council members for input and discussion at the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  - b. Next meeting: Monday November 16, 2015 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Conference Room.
- VIII. Closing Prayer.
- IX. Motion to adjourn was made by Bob Buss, and seconded by Craig Gezella. The motion passed at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by John Style