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at the June 27 meeting.

**SAINT CECILIA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
in the Adult/Youth Room
Tuesday May 16, 2006**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karen Popelka, Ed Fawkes, Chuck Gilarski, Bill Haas, Jonathan Weber, Jean Kresse, Father Terry, Terry Herrman, Alan Christy and Pat Halbur.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bud Montang and LuAnn Vulgamott

OTHERS PRESENT: Business Manager Jerry Greving, Finance Committee Chairman Randy Dalhoff, Joel Thilges, Youth Minister Joe Lawlor and Recording Secretary Jim Westphal.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Ed Fawkes called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
2. **PRAYER:** Ed Fawkes led the group in prayer.
3. **SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Terry Herrman suggested that the Minutes reflect the location of the meeting. Joe Lawlor asked that a section of the Youth Ministry report be deleted. Terry Herrman noted a typo in the Finance and Administration report. **MOTION:** by Bill Haas, supported by Terry Herrman, to accept the minutes from the April meeting as amended. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **STAFF REPORTS:**

Spiritual Growth & Liturgy - Bill Haas reviewed the points made in the Minutes of the Committee in the packet, ([See addendum #1.](#)) Bill also reported

- That there has been a request for a set of policies regarding the use of the new Gathering Space as to wedding receptions, use of alcohol, sales, advertising, use of walls, etc.
 - **MOTION** by Bill Haas, supported by Alan Christy, to give the responsibility for developing these policies to the Staff and to the Parish Life Community Committee. **MOTION CARRIED.**
- Bob Hauser has subscribed to 100 issues of the *Magnifikid*, a magazine to be used by children at Mass and at other times.
- The Committee has completed their self-assessment; its report on the self-assessment was included in the packet ([See addendum #1A](#)).

Parish Community Life - Jean Kresse reported that a report is in the packet ([See addendum #2](#)).

Youth Ministry Report - Joe Lawlor reviewed the notes from their meeting ([See addendum #3](#)). He also reported:

- He is tying the Youth Ministry program together with the Generations of Faith Program.
- Several 8th Grade students are interested in starting a band.
- That they will start recognizing youth's accomplishments at masses or in the *Good News From The Pews* publication.
- Joe will meet with Father Ivan on May 31st to see if he will be willing to continue Teen Masses as extra masses as Father Terry has done.

Financial Report - Jerry Greving reviewed the items in his report ([See addendum #4](#)). Jerry added:

- A Risk Management inspection has been done by the Archdiocese. A report will be forwarded to the Facilities Committee.
- Ballots for the Election of representatives to the Parish Council and the Board of Education have been prepared, 1000 will be printed. Elections will take place this weekend.

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Board of Education - Pat Halbur reviewed the points in the Board of Education report (*See addendum # 5*). Pat also requested the use of two West bedrooms in the Friary for use of Pre-School classrooms. There was discussion. Volunteers will do most of the remodeling. **Alan Christy** said costs for the project should be minimal.

MOTION by **Chuck Gilarski**, supported by **Jonathan Weber** that the Council accept the request of the Board of Education to renovate the two West bedrooms of the Friary for Pre-School classrooms with a dollar amount not to exceed \$4000.00. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by **Jean Kresse**, supported by **Bill Haas**, that future expansion of Saint Cecilia's School, especially Grades 1 through 4, be referred for study, to a Committee consisting of members of the Board of Education, the Parish Council, parents of school children and parishioners with no children in school so that all factions of the Saint Cecilia Community be represented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. GALA Committee Report - Joel Thilges** handed out a budget sheet report of the GALA showing a net profit of \$114,699.02. He said 10% of the proceeds (\$11,469.90) will go to the greatest needs of the Education Center and the balance, 90% (\$103,229.12) will go the Educational Endowment Fund.

There was discussion and praise for the Committee's efforts. **MOTION** by **Bill Haas**, supported by **Chuck Gilarski**, that the Council formally commends the GALA Committee and thanks them for their efforts. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman **Ed Fawkes** said he would send a letter to the Committee to that end.

- B. Stewardship Committee - Bill Haas** said he is on the mailing list for the program "*Put Out Into The Deep*". The next step is to find out who will be on the Committee. It was decided to advertise for interested parties in the Bulletin.
- C. Parish Council Self- Assessment** – The council resumed work on the self-assessment process, with Bill Haas leading. The council discussed the following Saint Cecilia Parish Needs and Actions, whose consideration had been deferred from the February 21 meeting.
6. Promote development and practice of evangelization
 7. Encourage formation of small Christian Communities
 8. Address social justice issues through service opportunities, e. g., Habitat for Humanity, Appalachia Service Group, Appalachia Warehouse, Special Olympics, Food at First, Emergency Residence Project.
- Haas took notes and will provide a draft summary to the council.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Dedication of Phase I - Ed Fawkes said a suggestion had been made to have the dedication of the completion of Phase I of the Building Project at Cornfest, August 20th. However, Council members agreed that the dedication should occur while Father Terry is still with us. Therefore it was decided to hold the dedication after the 5:00 pm Mass on July 8th at Father Terry's Farewell Party.

B. Cornfest - Terry Herrman said Therese Baker had contacted him. She will be on vacation in August but wanted to know if she could be of any help on Cornfest prior to her leaving. There was some discussion. **Jean Kresse** said the Parish Life Community Committee meets tomorrow and she will bring up the subject at that meeting.

C. Ed Fawkes - said he had been contacted by Al Joenson regarding treatment of the new boilers with an anti-freeze, anti-rust agent. This is a treatment to preserve the life of the boilers and must be done professionally. The cost is approximately \$7200.00. Although the money is not in the School's budget, **Randy Dalhoff** said it could be taken from savings. **MOTION** by **Bill Haas**, supported by **Chuck**

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Gilarski to have the treatment done not to exceed a limit of \$8000.00. **MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Ed Fawkes said he will be in Canada at the time of next month's meeting (his last). **MOTION** by **Jonathan Weber**, supported by **Chuck Gilarski** to move next month's meeting to the last Tuesday of the month, June 27th. **MOTION CARRIED.**

E. Ed Fawkes said as a matter of FYI, there are two properties for sale behind the Church. Is the Council interested in pursuing purchase of either or both of these as possible rental units until such time as we need them for expansion. There was discussion. No action was taken.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Facilities - No report.

Long Range Building Committee – **Alan Christy** reported that he met with the contractors today. The Social Hall and Parking Lot will be ready for our use on Memorial Day. He also reported that the Cross which was a part of the old Convent on Lincolnway has been reconditioned and will be placed on the new building.

Social Concerns Committee - **Chuck Gilarski** reviewed the points in the minutes included in the packet ([See addendum #7](#)). He also said:

- The Committee now has a budget.
- The Committee's self-assessment is finished.
- The Committee has decided it must do more educationally.
- Quarterly reports will be posted.

Sanctity of Life - **Jonathan Weber** handed out reports from the Committee at the meeting ([See addendum #8](#)).

Family Life Committee - **Terry Herrman** reported that the Committee spent time on their self-assessment and it is being developed into a report.

Finance and Administration - **Randy Dalhoff** said the main budget has been waiting for the school budget to be completed. ([See addendum #9](#)).

Elections - **Ed Fawkes** said elections will take place this weekend. Chuck Gilarski, Jean Kresse and Terry Herrman have all agreed to help direct the process.

Good Shepherd Parish - **No Report.**

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8. OBSERVATIONS/EVALUATION/FEEDBACK -

9. PASTORAL COMMENTS - **Father Terry** asked for prayers for Pat Olson whose son died today from a heart attack at work.

10. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

*The next regular meeting will be 7:00 p.m. **Tuesday, June 27th** in the Adult/Youth Room. **Note: This is a change from our regular schedule!***

Respectfully submitted, **Jim Westphal**, Recording Secretary