

Parish Council Minutes 6/10/2025

Voting Members	Present/Absent	Non Voting Members	Present/Absent
Stacy Celli	A	Julie Brown	A
Tiann Colwell	A	Terri Calvert	P
Mike Esselstein	P	Ethan Gion	A
Jerry Fitzgerald	A	Father Konka	P
Terry Fox	P	Mary Skiles	P
Nick Marez	A		
David Nash	P		
Casey Seymour	A		
Brooke Talkington	A		
Shelley Thomas	A		

Additional representatives attending: None

Guest: Jim Kozal who was at the wrong meeting but did stay for a time and added valuable input.

Meeting called to order 6:34 pm

Fr. Konka led the opening prayer

Approval of Minutes from May meeting: Due to lack of quorum the minutes could not be voted upon but were informally approved. Formal vote will occur at the August meeting.

Fr. Konka

- 6/17/2025 will be the date of the preliminary budget workshop to be held in the Garden Room.
- Fathers doorbell camera is fully functional!

Mike Esselstein

No Report

Terri Calvert Parish Representative

- Vacation Bible School: Radical Rite of Prayer 44 attendees, much improved over Totus Tuus. Terri has received very good feedback. Middle school kids were very helpful in their role. Totus Tuus runs about \$2000 per summer vs. VBS at about \$300 total for this summer.
- Extensions have been added to downspouts in the alley and since installment there has been NO WATER in the basement!!
- Eucharistic Procession will be 6/22/2025 after the 8:00 am Mass. Parade permit has been acquired, we are good to go.
- Terri raised concern that St. Agnes is being used as a “venue”, not necessarily by folks who are members of St. Agnes. Complaints have been raised in the past about the use of our facilities, in particular the music ministry having equipment unplugged and moved creating major inconveniences when it's time for regular services. Questions surrounded who collects fees, what are the fees, should fees be different for parishioners vs. non parishioners. Currently there is a \$600 vs. \$900 charge respectively. Terri will put together an “Application For Usage” detailing costs and restrictions. It was

additionally suggested that all such “business” be conducted through Theresa in the parish office who is in the best position to contact all involved parties.

- e. Side note . . . . glitter should be banned!!!
- f. Fall retreat on leadership by Fr. Joe Hannappel was discussed and it was agreed to move forward securing Fr.Hannappel and establishing dates.

#### Mary Skiles

- a. The Church Foundation met this past month. They currently have about \$94,000 in the bank. Bequests have been made to the foundation in the past rather than to the general fund. A current bequest has been designated specifically for repair and maintenance (Bernadine Overman). \$2000 age related contribution has been the only addition recently. Tax filings have been completed.

After the business portion of the meeting was completed the members present began working on the Constitution and Bylaws for our council. It was decided that we did not need to invent the wheel and should use the template provided by the Chancery Office in Grand Island.

Significant work was completed nearly finishing the constitution. It was decided that those in attendance should comprise the Constitution/Bylaws Sub Committee. Honestly, none of those in attendance believed there would be any objections and all present were willing volunteers.

Since the work was not completed at the meeting it was agreed that the sub committee would meet in July after the 8:00 am Sunday Mass since we all were 8:00 Mass goers. (addendum: We did in fact meet after Mass on July 6th and completed the work finishing the Constitution as well as the Bylaws. Please note that Fr. Konka has been moved to the right side of the attendance record due to clarifications made in the Constitution and the membership of the Council. The only remaining component that needs to be established is our mission statement. Mary and Terri have acquired examples to use and we will look those over at the next meeting. Copies of the Constitution and Bylaws will be sent to the entire membership for preview and comment prior to our next meeting in August)

Fr. Konka conducted the closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned 8:34 pm.

Next meeting Tuesday August 12th at 6:30

Respectfully submitted by David Nash, Council Secretary