

Immaculate Conception Parish Council Minutes
Tuesday, February 19, 2008
Heritage Room

Members Present: Becky Bertch, Tim Horrigan, Ken Thoma, Gary Mangrich, Rhonda Bloes, Teresa Fischels, Dessie Rottinghaus, and Janet Reiter, recording secretary.

Ken called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Ken led us in prayer.

Dessie motioned that we approve the Agenda and Minutes.

Becky seconded the motion.

Agenda approved

Minutes approved as recorded.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Education: Tim Horrigan reported that the 2008-2009 budget will be ready next week and then go before the Finance Committees. Some staff reductions are being considering in the primary grades. Included in the budget for next school year will be a counselor for K-8. St. John's Parish in Independence has expressed interest in enrollment at Don Bosco. More information will be forthcoming on this subject.

Spiritual Growth & Liturgy: Nothing to report.

Community Life and Social Concerns: Rhonda reported that the Soup Suppers are under way and going nicely but with a smaller turn out than in the past years. Possibly because of the early season and inclement weather.

Rosary Society: The Annual Pie Auction will be April 5, 2008.

Finance and Administration: Dessie reported the status of accounts for the month of January as follows:

Checking Acct. Balance 1-31-08	\$3,302.66
I.C. Improvement Fund	\$185,099.86 (Interest 7-1-07 to 12-31-08 \$4,076.70)
Income for January	\$44,359.97 (Budget Adults = \$39,151.37)
Expenses for January	\$124,619.96

Note: December school assessments were made on **January 4, 2008**. Parish is current on both school assessments.

Buildings and Grounds: Gary brought pictures of the wind damage to the shingles on the steeple. We are waiting for an estimate for the wind damage from Fred Jackson Tuckpointing of Dubuque. We will then submit the estimate for insurance purposes. A hole which is referred to as a "squirrel hole" was discovered in the pictures but the cost of this repair will be covered by the parish.

Deanery Council: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion on parish letter of acknowledgement to those concerning the memorial donation. Without Kevin Davis present at this time it was unclear why letter was not sent. Janet will investigate for the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

It was asked why Parish Council Minutes are not published in the bulletin anymore. Janet replied that they are posted on the website as soon as they are approved by the council but Msgr. Petty requested that the secretaries not put them in the bulletin due to space demanding a condensed version and possibly misinterpretation by the parishioners. Minutes could and will be posted in the bulletin with our new pastor's approval.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 12, at 7:30 PM. Time change due to CCD Communal Penance.

ADJORN

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted

Janet Reiter
Parish Secretary