

ST. JUDE PARISH
 PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – **APPROVED 11/26/2013**
 September 17, 2013

PRESENT: Father Don Father Ryan
 Clay Aumann Terry Pasterski
 Rheda Jelen John St. Andre
 Jerry Meyer

TOPIC:	REPORT/DISCUSSION:	ACTION:
CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was called to order and opened with a prayer led by John St. Andre.	
APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND AGENDA:	<p>The May 28, 2013 St. Jude Pastoral Council meeting minutes were approved as submitted.</p> <p>The meeting agenda was approved as distributed.</p> <p>Stephanie Ascher will be joining the St. Jude Parish Council as an at-large member. Stephanie was not able to attend this evening's meeting due to a scheduling conflict.</p>	
NEW BUSINESS:		
ELECTION OF ST. JUDE PASTORAL COUNCIL OFFICERS:	With the start of a new council year, nominations were taken for Council Chair and Council Vice Chair.	The council elected Terry Pasterski as Chair and John St. Andre as Vice Chair.
RENOVATIONS:	Father Don reported that Dave Johnson, a parish member who is an architect, is preparing plans for proposed changes to the design of the church space based on recommendations from the Building and Grounds Committee. The plans will be on display at the annual parish meeting and will be one of the agenda items for discussion. Father Don briefly summarized some of the ideas that will be presented, and council members also discussed options such as cushions for the pews and new flooring.	Informational; no council action required at this time.
ANNUAL MEETING:	The St. Jude Parish annual meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2013 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. All council members are asked to be present for this meeting.	Informational; no council action required at this time.
OLD BUSINESS:		
THIRD FLOOR CONVENT REMODELING:	Work is completed on the third floor of the convent to make it a better living space and rental unit for the Spiritus youth ministers. The tenants have moved in to this area. At the present time, their assignments are at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and Resurrection Parishes.	Informational; no council action required at this time.
HEATING SYSTEM REPAIRS:	Repair work was done on the facility heating system. Among the benefits for completing this project should be elimination of the loud noises from the heating vents. Because this work also created better energy efficiency, the parish was able to receive approximately \$10,000 in rebates which significantly offset the \$16,000 expense for this work.	Informational; no council action required at this time.

<p>FIRE ALARMS:</p>	<p>To get the school in compliance with the current building codes, it is necessary to upgrade the fire alarm system. The expenses for this project sit with St. Jude Parish as the owners of the building. The cost will be between \$10,000 and \$12,000. This work is already in progress.</p>	<p>Informational; no council action required at this time.</p>
<p>PARISH REVIEW:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A question was raised about which doors the Providence Academy students use to enter the building. It was noted the doors that lead to the church are open as Division Street is used as a drop-off site for buses and cars. • Feedback from parishioners was shared about the absence of any Quad-Parish on-site facilities at St. Jude Parish with Providence Academy renting the entire school building. Parishioners need to be reminded of the various Quad-Parish activities that do still occur at the St. Jude site and to take into account the financial benefits that have been gained by receiving the rental income. It is different from the past but, from another perspective, there have been many positive outcomes for St. Jude Parish. • A suggestion was offered to incorporate an “Adopt-a-Bill” program, where a bulletin board would be placed at the entrance of church and parishioners willing to pick up some expenses on occasion could select which bill toward which they wish to contribute. This program is in place in another local church and appears to have been successful in offsetting some of the day-to-day expenses. The idea will be taken under consideration. • In response to a question about the location of the St. Jude School sports trophies, it was reported the Men’s Club is still determining what would be the best option for relocation. • Wayne Reimer’s disability leave continues so Patrick Jelen is assisting with facility maintenance. 	<p>No council action required.</p>
<p>OTHER BUSINESS:</p>	<p>There was no other business to discuss.</p>	<p>No council action required.</p>
<p>ADJOURNMENT:</p>	<p>There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.</p>	
<p>Recorder:</p>	<p>Beth Markon</p>	