

SACRED HEART FINANCE/PARISH BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 20, 2019

OPENING PRAYER

The joint meeting was opened with a prayer led by Father Swamy. The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the following board members present: Dar Boe, Jane Boe, Ron Gilgenbach, John O'Connell, Peggy Schmitz, Mike Schneider, Tim Schneider, Gary Thome and Colette Zillgitt. Absent was Connie Hoff, Steve Reinartz and Amy Thome.

SCHOOL BOARD

The school would like to replace and/or update the lighting in the classrooms. They will get estimates for the hallway and classrooms. They will get a price to replace the lights and another price to retrofit them. The school hopes to use the monies raised from the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation Challenge to pay for this project. The annual Sacred Heart Alumni letter has been written and will be going out soon. D&E Carpet Sales will be giving us an estimate to repair some tiles that are coming loose in the boys' bathroom downstairs. Rhonda Musel will be resigning from her job as Kid Zone Director on December 6th. Mikaela Feuerhak, the Kindergarten teacher, will be replacing her. We discussed the Tuition Assistance Program. The school has collected about 44% of this year's tuition to date.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The financial and budget reports were reviewed for the Church and the School. We discussed the Tuition Scholarship Report, tuition and fees cover only about 30% of the cost of attendance for a student. The balance of donations and fundraising cover the remaining amount. We work hard to keep the operations of the school efficient to keep tuition costs down.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS

We will be replacing the north door which faces highway 56. An estimate for the door, which will need to be special ordered, was \$3,500 and will be paid for with money from the building fund. We are continuing to get estimates for the new heating and cooling system for the church and basement. The electrical service in the rectory needs to be updated to a 200 amp service and panel as the existing electrical is outdated.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Mass count information was reviewed and was very similar to last year. The Mass attendance for all parishes combined was 6% lower in 2019 than 2018. The percentage of total attendance for the Cluster is: Sacred Heart 44%, St Peter 17%, St John 22% and Queen of Peace 17%.

FUTURE QUARTERLY FINANCE/PARISH MEETINGS: Tentative meeting Wednesday, February 19th 2020 and Wednesday, June 17th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

CLOSING PRAYER

The meeting ended with a closing prayer led by Father Swamy. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by Peggy Schmitz, Secretary