

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Council Meeting
Regular Meeting
October 13, 2015 - 7:00 pm; Brunsman Hall

<u>abs</u> Debbie Clingingsmith	<u>x</u> Tricia Heim	<u>x</u> Sam Palko
<u>x</u> Dick Crippen	<u>x</u> Bob Knapick	<u>abs</u> Penny Tafoya
<u>x</u> Ann Dufour	<u>x</u> Bob Lavelle	<u>x</u> Fr. Ken Laverone
<u>x</u> Darrin Greer	<u>x</u> Dennis Mahoney	<u>exc</u> Fr. Sebastian Sandoval
<u>x</u> Tami Gutierrez	<u>x</u> Kent Meyers	
<u>x</u> Kala Haley	<u>exc</u> Jose Michel	
<u>x</u> Margaret Healey, chair		

1. Welcome and Roll Call
 - Meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Margaret.
 - Attendance was confirmed by the secretary.

2. Opening prayer was led by Bob.

3. Review of agenda and approval of August minutes. A motion to approve the minutes without amendments was made, seconded, and carried.

4. Parish Picnic
 - Over four hundred people attended the Parish Picnic, and it was a huge success. School involvement was “terrific” with lots of families attending and students participating. Previous picnics have been mostly attended by adult parishioners, so this year’s picnic brought some true unity to the church and school.

5. Parishioner Input and Pastor Remarks
 - The lift in Brunsman Hall is fixed.
 - A full-time liturgist (Beth) and music director (Tim) have been hired. Beth has received lots of positive, unsolicited feedback.
 - The bids for church restoration are done, and Evergreen is the selected company. Scaffolding began on October 12th, and will not disturb services. The scaffolding will come down prior to Christmas, then go back up after Christmas, and will be back down by early February. The process will take some patience.
 - The bathroom remodeling fell behind schedule. The city will only approve one toilet for the women’s bathroom, not the 2 that were requested. The remodeling will start on October 19th, and will include putting in electric hand dryers.
 - The plaster study on the church exterior determined that scraping and sandblasting the exterior is not necessary, which will save a lot of money during the restoration project. New plaster will be applied over existing plaster.
 - The baptismal font committee continues with its work.
 - The installation of solar panels on the church and school will continue to be studied. May decide to install them more for environmental purposes than financial purposes.
 - The canonization of Fr. Junipero Serra went well.
 - There is room for improvement as far as reaching Pastoral Plan objectives.

- The Covenant of Sharing is the weekend of October 17th. The Parish Council is asked to help collect pledges. The parish budget was balanced on the assumption of \$20,000 from the Covenant of Sharing weekend. A great Covenant of Sharing weekend may also help to restore expenses that were cut from last year's budget.
 - The Franciscan Province Chapter will occur in January; that may impact current Franciscan staff in the parish.
6. Pastoral Plan Next Steps
- Pastoral Plan committee members were reviewed, and the committees met to orient their new team members and discuss next steps. The committees will meet at least once before the next Parish Council meeting.
7. St. Francis School Report: Tami
- The school is doing well, and is at full enrollment. Student test scores are high. New CSAC elections are being held. Current focuses include a K-8 curriculum map.
 - The school is very thankful for the new air conditioner, especially during October's unseasonably warm weather.
 - The school is celebrating its 120th anniversary. The mural inside the school finished the week before the Parish Council meeting, and a new school website is in the works.
 - The school is in an accreditation year. Accreditation can be given for up to six years, which the school received during the last round.
 - The annual November auction and gala will be on November 14th. The last gala accrued over \$60,000.
8. Discussion of St. Francis and His Conversions took place. Darrin led this month's discussion of Chapter 7. The entire group will discuss the conclusion at the November meeting.
9. Pending Items
- Next month's meeting will be held on November 9th in the parish library.
 - Kala will lead the opening prayer for the November meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.