

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 8, 2016
Brunsmann Hall
7:00 – 9:00 pm

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

1. Welcome and Roll Call
 - Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Margaret.
 - Attendance was confirmed by Margaret.
2. Opening prayer was led by Penny T.
3. Motion (Dennis) and 2nd to accept the resignation of Kala Haley and appoint Evelyn Fallon onto the council as the next nominee in the vote count.
4. Evelyn Fallon spoke regarding the relationship between Francis House and St. Francis Parish. She apologized for a lapse in communication between the Francis House Board and Parish leadership. She thanked St. Francis and this body for its support in past years and hoped we could bridge into a renewal of support in the future. Ms. Fallon introduced Tricia Rosenbaum (in attendance) the executive director of Next Move the organization of which Francis House is now a program subdivision. Mrs. Rosenbaum continued the discussion of the relationship between Next Move and Francis House. She explained her understanding of the present funding realities of Francis House and Next Move. She also offered some clarification of their funding support from Goodwill Inc. Margaret and Fr. Ken spoke to Mrs. Rosenbaum regarding the history of Francis House. The vision of its' founder Greg Bunker and the Franciscan mission that served as the backdrop to the development of Francis House. Mrs. Rosenbaum expressed a desire to become more familiar with the history of Francis House and its' founder Greg Bunker. Fr. Ken also spoke of the need to examine the activities of Francis House and all of our local community service organizations and to avoid duplication of services. Mrs. Rosenbaum encouraged the renewal of financial support of Francis House and hoped she could provide information to the council that would be evidence of Francis House's continued need for our support.
5. Approval of February Minutes - Margaret
6. Parishioner Input
 - Penny T. noted that the Parish Council public announcement has not been included in the bulletin for some time. Our meetings should be published.
 - Darrin G. stated a parishioner suggestion that the church youth group do a fundraiser using luminary bags around the church

- Sound at 9:30 Mass was distorted (Fr. Ken noted this was being adjusted).
- Automated External Defibrillators (AED) should be purchased for Church (Currently only one on the 2nd floor of the school). Fr. Ken recalled this was discussed in a prior meeting but we could not recall the resolution.
- Opening of light hatch over the altar needs to be closed (Fr. Ken says he to is working on getting that done. It was discussed what needs to happen to get it closed.
- Outreach Director – Richard Hernandez is in attendance to introduce himself to the council.
 - Dennis M. offers to Mr. Hernandez that the council has an outreach subcommittee.

14. Pastor's Remarks – Fr. Ken

- JD Warwick has been selected to take over the position formerly held by Fran Anderson
- Met with the baptismal font designer on Tuesday (3/1). Concept has been developed and will be presented to the council and others on April 12th.
- Discussed the lightning and screen design of the new reconciliation room.
- Church boiler has been repaired, but is still in need a part replacement.
A large crystal chandelier was found - it will be cleaned and installed in the reconciliation room. The final drawings will go to the Committee, then to the Council and then the staff.
- Fr. Ken notes that he is still looking into on the Clara's House MOA.
- Fr. Ken notes that one of the step ministry clients has emailed him documents stating that he is suing him for \$2000.00 in small claims court for violations of his civil rights. It is unclear if the documents emailed constitute proper serving or whether these documents have legitimacy in court. The documents site 3/25 as the court date.
- Todd Lamar – Diocesan Minister of the Deaf has approached Fr. Ken about offering deaf and hard of hearing ASL translator at the St. Francis. Fr. Ken has accepted the offer and this service will begin soon during the 12:00 p.m. Mass.
- The last Newman Center Mass at Sac State will be on May 22nd. St. Francis will draft a letter inviting Newman Center church attendees to join our parishioner in worshipping at St. Francis. The letter will be delivered via the Diocese in coordination with letters from other surrounding parish churches.

23. St. Francis School Report – Sam P.

- The school just completed the WASC/WCEA accreditation process and has successfully received a full 6th year accreditation. St. Francis received Highly Effective ratings in 8/12 areas of examination.
- Principal Hrga held his annual State of School Address and reported to parents that the school was doing very well in all areas. He stressed the strong relationship between parish and school was a major asset. The school is sound fiscally, however it will face challenges because of state required minimum wage increases for 2016-2017 and proposed further increases for 2017-2018.
- School would like to explore further fundraising partnerships with local businesses, parish, alumni, etc.

27. Finance Report – Dennis M.

- Significant budget cuts were made last year resulting in delays of staff raises. These raises were able to be given retroactively because of the parish did significantly better than budgeted in the Annual Appeal.

- Budget approval by May for parish council review.
30. Next meeting: Tuesday, April 12, 2016, 7:00 pm in Brunsman Hall (start in the church to see font design)
- Prayer: Kent Meyer
32. Closing Prayer was led by Penny T.
33. Meeting adjourned by Margaret at 9:00 pm.