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Parish Advisory Committee Meeting
17 September 2026
6:00 pm

Present: Fr. LeRoy, Merrilee Stang, Jeremy Braegelmann (Chair '23), Jeanine Mooney (Vice Chair '23), Jim Worm, Sheila Torborg ('23), Steve Nies ('24), Jessica Krueger, Tammy Koop, Fr. Joseph

Absent: Lois Gertken ('24), Nate Guetter ('23), Ken Athman ('24), Tucker Plantenberg ('26)
(* 'start year of term)

I. Joint Meeting with Centered on Christ PAC's
   a. Welcome and Prayer
   b. Pastor's Updates
      i. All Things New Update
         1. Expect changes in a year – other clusters have more work to do.
         2. Five new names for the ACC were brainstormed. Nothing selected yet.
      ii. Parish Insurance Update
         1. Allowing cash value versus replacement cost.
         2. Handout: "Proposal to the Diocese of St. Cloud for Catholic Mutual Insurance coverage reductions for Centered on Christ Catholic Community Parish facilities"
            a. Each parish to review handout and ask questions or comment. No discussion.
      iii. Trustees to sign Parish Annual Report
      iv. Fundraising
         1. Merrilee Stang reported CCCC fundraiser totals for various projects.
            a. BoniFest $67k, BoniFest Raffle $16,800
            b. St. James CornFest $20,839
            c. SSPP Golden Ticket $67,500
            d. SSPP Quilt Bingo $13,891
            e. SSPP Cash Bazaar to-date $19,163
            f. Turkey Bingo (MIC) $14,326

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II. Additional agenda items
   a. AED; how is it monitored?
      i. Merrilee Stang stated a local volunteer checks it. Not sure on the timeline.
   b. SSPP School discussion, specifically the Side-by-Side Raffle
      i. Discussion for a suggestion to sell more tickets for the Side-by-Side Raffle to generate more revenue. The raffle usually sells out yearly.
      ii. Discussion on school fundraisers and the need for more, tuition increase for '26-'27 school year, SSPP school endowment, community withdrawal from the school, and the lack of discussion at PAC meetings when the school board is invited.

iii. Jessica Krueger suggested a SSPP Catholic School Society idea to receive yearly donations from alumni, parishioners, and community. This excludes businesses, as the school has corporate sponsorships.
iv. Jeremy Braegelmann noted that he and the Harvest Ball Committee are exploring options to maximize fundraising.
v. Fr. LeRoy praised the principal, Heather Pfannenstein, for her efforts and classes she was attending to learn about legacy fundraising. He encouraged the SSPP Trustees, Merrilee Stang, and Heather Pfannenstein to meet. The PAC agreed with this decision.

c. Future of Quilt Bingo
   i. Discussion if Marlene Statz will continue? The fundraiser was a great success!
d. 5PM Mass
   i. PAC was concerned with the loss of the plate revenue. Discussion if another fundraiser is needed or if the school earned more revenue than the percentage of parish need would decrease.
e. Parish percentage for expenses for our ACC
   i. Discussed if SSPP administrative percentages would decrease? Jim Worm thought SSPP contributes 30% (SB 54%, MIC 11%, and SJ 5%). Merrilee Stang stated it is based on families and wouldn't change until another directory is completed in roughly two years.

III. Elections of new officers
a. Voted Tucker Plantenberg as Chair
b. Voted Jeanine Mooney as Vice Chair

IV. Minutes from February 5, 2026 | Approved by Tammy Koop, 2nd Jeanine Mooney

V. Update on Parish Bell Tower Project
a. Jeremy Braegelmann and Jim Worm gave the PAC an update.
b. The Ohio company blocked up the bells and took the yokes. The maintenance committee is waiting on floor plans and dimensions of the new yokes. Feel the project will take 4 to 6 months. The clock could cost $45k - $50k.
c. Discussion on updating a board for parishioner viewing. Jeremy Braegelmann and Jessica Krueger will work together on this.

VI. Future agenda items
a. SSPP School finances.
b. SSPP School engagement with the community.

VII. Upcoming Meetings
a. 10/29/26
b. 2/4/27
c. 4/22/27

VIII. Adjourn @ 7:05PM | Approved by Jeanine Mooney, 2nd Steve Nies