

IHM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DECEMBER 12, 2018

Present were: Father Bob Sims, Council members Jarod Brown, John Creamer, James Gilroy, Ellen Healey, Beth Leonard, Erin Lewis and Mike Ruppert, Finance Council member Jim Elias, and staff member Anna Harvey.

President James Gilroy opened the meeting at 6:05 pm. The minutes of the November meeting were approved and will be communicated through the parish web site.

Father Bob asked about progress with the John Bosco Center. Anna Harvey estimated that construction should be completed early in January. Furnishings and other details should be in place by mid February, so that use of the Center may begin. Tentative plans for the dedication of the Center include 5:30 Mass on Wednesday January 30, followed by the dedication ceremony and social. Principal donors will be invited to participate.

Anna Harvey and Jim Elias gave a financial report. Anna reviewed staff priorities for 2019 and noted that capital expenditures for 2018-2019 will be reviewed in January. Currently, the most significant revenue and expense lines are in line with the budget. Jim noted that the Finance Council has met with the Facilities Committee and with representatives from the 2019 Fall Fest and 2019 Illumination regarding proposed projects. "Fund a Need" projects must be approved by both the Facilities Committee (if a capital project) and the Finance Council, as well as by Father Bob. Jim expects to present ideas to the Parish Council in the next month or two.

Erin Lewis outlined proposals for use of the IHM logo by various groups. A recommendation has been made that 2-3 vendors be decided on for use by all organizations involved. These vendors will be supplied with general guidelines for appropriate designs and wording. Erin will develop proposed guidelines for the vendors, which she will present at the January meeting.

James reported on talks with Mike Kaplan who is assisting in planning for the Technology Committee's task and in determining who should head the Committee. Mike is to contact Anna Harvey soon.

James identified strategic planning for the parish as the main goal for the work of the Council for the rest of the year. Ideas suggested by Council members last month could be included in the plan. He looks for a cadence for the Council in relating to the Commissions and Committees. These entities should be involved in the planning. He asked Anna to contact the Archdiocese about assistance in the process. James will prepare and send to the members before the December meeting a draft for a strategic planning framework.

ACTION ITEMS;

Anna	Directory plans	January meeting
	AD planning guidelines	January meeting
Erin	Guidelines for vendors	January meeting
James	Draft for planning framework	Before January meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

NEXT MEETING: January 23, 2019, at 7:00 pm in the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Healey, Secretary