

**IHM PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES  
APRIL 10, 2019**

Present were: Father Bob Sims, Council members James Gilroy, Ellen Healey, Erin Lewis (via phone), and Mike Ruppert. Also attending were Principal Ronda Swartz and Finance Council member Jim Elias. Parishioner Sid Eisgruber observed the meeting.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

James Gilroy opened the meeting at 7:05 pm. Father Bob offered the opening prayer.

Father Bob asked about progress with the St. John Bosco Center. Completion is expected within two weeks, as only a final inspection from the city and the installation of one door remain to be done. A blessing of the facility is tentatively scheduled for May 11 after the 5:30 Mass. Principal donors will receive a special invitation. Erin Lewis will be contacting them.

Elections for Council and Commission members will be held on the weekend of May 18 and 19. James outlined procedures to be followed and has contacted Commission Chairs regarding their needs. Candidate information will be available online, and a ballot can be printed. Actual voting will take place only during the Masses on that week end. Anna and the office staff will coordinate the process. Two Council members need to be elected.

Mike Ruppert raised the question of storage. Many items formerly in the space now occupied by the St. John Bosco Center are currently in the garage. Anna Harvey outlined Facility Committee plans for efficient storage space in the basement of the rectory, which could accommodate some of the material. Facilities person Tom Parks will assist with this, and parish youth in need of service hours can be involved.

Kristi Gaynor, of the Board of Regents for Bishop Chatard High School, presented an accountability update from the school, considered desirable since North deanery parishes furnish financing for the high school. Outreach to parishes includes market and technical help as appropriate. In an effort to decrease anxiety over student entrance exams, these are held at parish schools. Results of these tests are shared with the grade schools. A detailed report of accomplishment in various areas showed IHM students perform at a very high level.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen Healey, Secretary

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday May 22, 2019, 7:00 pm in the library**