

IHM Parish Council Minutes
October 27, 2021
Start Time: 7:06 PM

Present were: John Bannister, Jim Elias, Ute Eble, Sister Catherine, Jojo Murphy, Father Bob, Emily Bannister, John Borgo, John Creamer, Anna Harvey

Opened meeting with prayer by Jojo Murphy

Minutes of previous meeting were approved following a motion by John Creamer, seconded by Jojo Murphy passed unanimously.

A. School Update – Ronda Swartz

- a. Ronda Swartz reported there are no new COVID cases in the school.
- b. Ronda Swartz reported the school is working through the new student information system/learning management system “POWER SCHOOL,” and a new online enrollment system “FACTS.” The goal is to have FACTS operational and open by December.
- c. Ronda Swartz reported that there are many open houses in the coming weeks both virtual and in person.
- d. Ronda Swartz reported the school calendar for 2022-2023 school year is on the agenda for the School Commission on Monday and the School Commission sub group “School Improvement Committee” will be meeting with a handful of staff members to start looking at our school improvement plan. Once this is finalized, Ronda will submit it to the Parish Council to review.

B. Review of Goal/Objective Setting for 2021-2022 Year – John Bannister

- a. Mass Attendance:
 - i. John Bannister suggested continuing to count every mass and report the numbers back to the Parish Council to see trends up and down.
 - ii. John Creamer mentioned a mailer to specific mail routes that was sent out when the Fall Fest first started. The Parish Council discussed a similar approach to invite new and existing members of the Parish back to the church as part of the 75th anniversary.
- b. Parish Participation:
 - i. John Creamer volunteered to come up with a list of people that are active in the parish by January 1 and recognize a person each week in the Bulletin throughout 2022.
 - ii. Emily Bannister suggested putting a survey out at Mass for parishioners to fill out to create a list of those interested in participating more in various activities at the Parish.
- c. School Enrollment

C. Finance Report – Jim Elias and Anna Harvey

- a. The Finance Commission met on Monday, October 25 and reviewed the September financial statements. No items of significance were noted. Jim Elias and Anna Harvey also there will be changes related to the collection of sales tax for certain Parish and School transactions.

D. DRE Report – Ute Eble

- a. Ute Eble reported that Confirmation is continuing to move along, as is First Communion.

- b. Ute Eble reported IHM will host the North Deanery for adult confirmation in the spring.
- F. Council Member Reports from Commissions:
- a. Facilities – John Bannister reported the Facilities Committee is defining the scope for the future project of the site lights and the window replacement was completed over Fall Break.
 - b. Liturgy – Fr. Bob reported there are many liturgies coming up and that the Parish Office and he are working on the Christmas letter currently.
 - c. Outreach – JoJo Murphy reported the Outreach Committee is still in search of a new leader and the Honduras Young Adult trip is scheduled for July 4 – 10.