

IHM March Parish Council Minutes
March 23, 2022
Start Time 7:03 PM

Present were: John Bannister, John Creamer, Jim Elias, John Borgo, Kristi Gaynor, Father Bob, Paula Ryan, Ute Eble, Toni Sander, Emily Bannister, Sister Catherine

Opened meeting with prayer by Emily Bannister

Minutes of previous meeting were approved following a motion by Toni Sander, seconded by John Creamer. Passed unanimously.

- A. Bishop Chatard Annual Presentation – Kristi Gaynor and Paula Ryan
 - a. Kristi Gaynor and Paula Ryan presented the annual report from Bishop Chatard for the 2021-2022 school year.
- B. Father Bob Remarks
 - a. Principal Search Update
 - i. Father Bob reported the search for the new principal has been completed and the new principal will meet with the faculty and staff after spring break.
 - b. Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
 - i. John Creamer will reach out to Julie Tomich to discuss who to include in a potential volunteer appreciation dinner invitation to thank those that volunteer at the Parish and school.
- C. Review of Goal/Objective Setting for 2021-2022 Year – John Bannister
 - a. Mass Attendance – Anna Harvey
 - i. Ute Eble presented the attendance numbers since November 2021 which appear to be trending upward but hard to compare as this was not something that was historically done at Immaculate Heart.
 - b. Parish Participation
 - i. Ministry Fair – April 9 and 10
 - 1. Each Parish Council member will reach out to their respective committee or commission to have them attend the Ministry Fair on April 9 and 10 after each mass.
 - c. School Enrollment
 - i. Marketing Committee – John Borgo
 - 1. John Borgo reported he and Amy Martin are still looking for someone to lead the Marketing Committee and that there will be an e-blast going out soon as well as a call out in the Bulletin.
- D. 2022-2023 Election Discussion – John Bannister
 - a. John Bannister reported the Parish Council will be electing two new members during the May 2022 elections. John Bannister will stay on as President for an additional year and John Creamer will also stay on as Former President. This motion was passed unanimously by the Parish Council. Each commission liaison will need to reach out to their commissions/committee to understand how many they will need to be electing this May.
- E. Synod Consultation – Toni Sander

- a. Ute Eble and Father Bob reported IHM did not formally participate in the Synod Consultation but did see what other parishes that participated had done to participate. Results will be available in 2023 and IHM will discuss at that time how to incorporate them into the Parish.
- F. Finance Report – Jim Elias and Anna Harvey
 - a. Jim Elias presented the finance report. The Finance Commission met on March 21st and reviewed the February financial statements. Jim indicated both the parish and school are projected to finish the fiscal year at, or slightly favorable to, budget. Jim also noted the 2022-2023 budget setting process has begun and the staff plans to present the budget to Parish Council at their May meeting.
- G. Director of Religious Education Update – Ute Eble
 - a. Ute Eble reported Confirmation will be on April 27 and First Communion will be April 30. There will be five adults and two children welcomed into the community at the Easter Vigil.
- F. Council Member Reports from Commissions:
 - a. Liturgy – Sister Catherine reported there have been issues with the sound system that is 20 years old and they are obtaining quotes to fix it.