

St. Thomas Aquinas Finance Council Meeting
Thursday August 3, 2023 at 7pm

Meeting called to order at 8:02 pm. By Ray Lammers (Chair)

Present: Ray Lammers (Chair), Dave Engstrom (Vice Chair), Sue Anderson, Fr. Anane, Pat Foley (Secretary), Rita Wolfgram (Church Secretary/Bookkeeper), Jeanne Hill (School Board Chair) and Ben Rahe.

Absent: Sara Woodhouse (PC Rep)

Prayer led by Father Anane.

June 14th Minutes: Motion to approve by Jeanne Hill. Second by Dave Engstrom. All Approved.

August 3rd Agenda: after adding Church Budget Envelope and Donation in honor of Betty Dykstra. Motion to approve by Jeanne and 2nd by Ben. All Approved.

New business:

- A. Financial reports-June month end and fiscal year end. All Approved.
- B. Annual Financial Reports for archdiocese. All approved.
- C. STA/SM Annual Financial Report to parishioners-slight change to current wording to be made by Rita. All approved.
- D. Fr. Anane's mother arrival Sept. 7th and Fr. Anane's 25th Jubilee on Sept. 17th.
- E. Mass Counts: July 15th started the new times for mass at St. Thomas. 5pm on Saturday and 10am on Sunday. Mass count increased on Saturday evening but decreased slightly on Sunday.
- F. Venmo-information on how to set up Venmo/PayPal Account was given by Rita. Fee: 1.91% plus 10 cents would be the cost per transaction.
- G. Church Budget Envelopes: Starting in January 2024 the budget envelopes would be discontinuing the Capital Fund Drive envelope. In its place would be a Debt Reduction Envelope. This was agreed upon by e-mail from Rita last week. Also discussion on placing envelopes in the church pews that would go to the Debt Reduction of the parish. Envelope also to possibly be included in Financial Statement to parishioners mailing.
- G2. Donation in honor of Betty Dykstra: a \$500.00 donation was received from the Dykstra family. It was decided that the money would go to the Kitchen Maintenance. Motion was made by Jeanne and 2nd by Ben. Motion approved.
- H. Discussion was given to the July Budget and approved by all.

Motion to adjourn at 8:03pm. All approved. Fr. Anane led the ending prayer.

Next meeting September 7th at 7pm.

Submitted by Pat Foley (secretary)