

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish Council Minutes--June 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Father Anane, Rita Wolfgram, Jeannie Hill, John Bock, Dennis Nilles, Linda Foley, Daniel Fredrick, Mary Engstrom, and LuAnn Garvey

Absent: Dick Tighe, Sarah Woodhouse, Ray Lammers, and Rick Joneson

Father led us in prayer, and Dennis led the meeting.

Jeannie made a motion to approve the minutes, and Linda seconded it. Jeannie made a motion to approve the agenda, and Daniel seconded it. Both were approved.

A. Sarah will continue as our chairman, Dennis will continue as our vice-chairman, and LuAnn will continue as secretary. We will all stay on our same committees. Linda made a motion for approval, and John seconded it. It was approved.

B. Jeannie made a motion to approve the financial report, and Mary seconded it. It was approved.

C. The utility bills will now be 50/50 between the church and the school. This will begin with the July bills. St. Mary's will go back to 13% for rent and to pay for Father's salary. Jeannie made a motion, and Mary seconded it. It was approved.

D. Mass times will go back to the original times of 10:00 a.m. on Sundays and 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays at St. Thomas. It will be 8:00 a.m. on Sundays at St. Mary's. This will begin in July.

E. At the Parish Life/Cluster Meeting the following was discussed: September 17th will be Father's Jubilee mass at 10:00 a.m, the Harvest Dinner at St. Thomas will be on October 29th, and the Harvest Dinner at St. Mary's will be on November 5th.

F. The Archdiocese will send out information about using Venmo. We may use it if we like it. We discussed the rental of the Parish Center again. We had some problems with the use of it for graduation parties. Rita will take money from their deposits for any damage. Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School in August. We will not meet in July.

Committee Reports:

Education--Katie Campbell was hired for the kindergarten teaching position, and Adalie Hayes was hired for the first grade position. We still need a preschool teacher and an associate for the preschool. The bathrooms in the school have been demolished. Mary met about the playground, and they decided to have Ft. Dodge Asphalt come in and put in a new playground.

We looked over the calendar.

Mary made a motion to adjourn, and Daniel seconded it. It was approved. Father led us in prayer. The next meeting will be August 8th at 7:00 p.m.