



## Guardian Angels Parish Council Meeting Minutes

<b>Attended</b>	Fr. Paul Jarvis, Eric Crowell, Daryl Eiden, Carmen Montes, Mario Montes, Randy Symanitz, Ken Stacken
<b>Absent</b>	Mark Stoltzman, Sally Bergum, Tina Healy, Samantha Hensch, Tim Collins
<b>Mtg Date</b>	7:00 PM Thursday April 10th, 2008
<b>Location</b>	Parish Conference Room

### Items Discussed

Meeting minutes from March joint committee meeting with the Finance Council were approved

We started discussion of vision of GA and Father Paul outlined the 3 L's of our Parish family:

Liturgy is evident in the Liturgy Committee and with our masses

Learning

-Day school

-Night school

-Weekend school (Latino community)

Life

-Faith Formation

-Chaska Community Center---soul strength

To add to the physical and spiritual training for our youth Father has been speaking with Laurie and Clayton Forner about activities for youth. Father had a hard copy of a memo from Laurie and Clayton outlining 2 options.

Option 1: A karate or kick boxing group 2x a week incorporating spiritual connection and reflection

Option 2: Focus on commitment to lifetime sports and support for each other

Pros and cons discussed for each option. Will there be enough interest in karate? What do kids like to do? Clayton has said he could work with National Karate manager Kristi Henrickson to do a demo and help with forming a couple demo classes. This would be targeted toward middle school grades. There may be many different skill levels.

Option 2 could incorporate getting a group membership to Fitness First. Randy knows the owner, Steve Hritz (spelling?) He is a parish member.

This needs involvement of other committees. Need umbrella. Long term this could maybe be covered by a Pastoral Life staff member.

Also under the Life portion, Mario Montes mentioned that the Hispanic members of the parish are considering forming a soccer team to play against other churches in the area.

We discussed the Building, Grounds and Garden Committee. They are moving forward with fixing the roof in the gym. Next projects include work on the sinks in the bathrooms of the school and the kitchen in the school.

Nick VandenBroeke will be volunteering for the summer to work on the Friary.

Spring clean up is April 26th

Father mentioned how he was impressed with how we got basically a new lower level of the school for \$62,000.

With membership jumping up to what appears to be 900 members we need to see increase of collections.

Need \$13K to get by. We need real budgets. The school is sending out annual fund raiser letters.

Going to:

Alumni

Parents

Parishioners

Grandparents

May 3rd and 4th we will be sending out the first of a series of 3 letters (sent over 5 weeks). The Finance Council decided to go with Letter Concepts (St Joseph's in Waconia used them). They are charging \$7 per family. \$2 postage per family. We are trying to get \$5-\$10 increase per week.

There will be no capital campaign. They normally are used to fund a specific project. This is a bad time because of:

-Recession

-Old debt

Need to grow membership to get more people giving.

Marie is doing a census along with volunteer receptionists.

Welcoming Ministry

-Greeters and ushers

-Volunteer receptionist, need another drive, some have dropped off

-New parishioner reception, more representative of the 3 L's

It was reiterated that the Vision Subcommittee will cover the vision of the 3 Ls in an advisory role.

Possible members will be approached to get this committee going. The Vision Subcommittee members will be attending Parish Council, Finance Council and SAC meetings.

Discussed a luncheon for seniors of the parish. Possibly doing bingo.

Daryl will speak with Dan and Karen Lawrence about the Fall Festival. Need to get new chairs. Possible Latino representation as chair or co-chair mentioned.

Mario gave updates on Latino community.

Children moving up front during the mass is working. They are getting more out of mass.

They would like to get hymnals. Half the funds raised by the Latino community, half supplied by the Parish.

They will be doing smaller monthly meetings and a larger quarterly meeting.

Mary Van Sloun is organizing envelopes. We need to match up envelope #s with names. 3 levels of Angels used for recognition.

Liturgy---

Corpus Christi celebration---3 alters set up

Pentecost—wear red