

**Minutes of Council Meeting Held April 20, 2015
(Joint Finance Council / Parish Pastoral Council Meeting)
St. Philip the Apostle Parish**

Present:

Sr. Jane Riha (Pastoral Leader)
Jack Schlag (TS-2016)
Dennis Dionne (TT-2015)
Mike Wisneski (FC-2016)
Darlene Marcelle (FC-2016)

Joy Peterson (PC-2015)
Brian Haanen (PC-2016)
Rose Maloney (PC-2015)
Dave Konop (PC-2016)
Bill Noel (Business Mgr.)

Excused: (none)

Minutes Prepared By: Bill Noel

The meeting was held in the Guadalupe Center.

1. Sr. Jane led the group in prayer.
2. Minutes from the January 19, 2015 joint council meeting were approved unanimously following a motion by Darlene and a second by Dave.
3. 2015-2016 Budget:
 - A preliminary budget (dated 4/15/2015) was passed out and budget items were explained.
 - Plans for a monthly second collection for parish operations were discussed for every second Sunday, and the preceding Saturday, with reminders one week prior to the collection.
 - A potential pancake-porkie breakfast for the parish was discussed (request assistance from Falcon Athletic Club members)
 - A fundraiser led by the Hispanic community was recommended
 - Letter to parishioners was recommended to advise of second collection needs
 - Discussion of the basis for the Bishop's Appeal goal (Bill read from Diocese-issued document that states the goal is based on a parish's contributing units and on its "Effective Buying Income" which is zip-code based, with credits for parishes that support a Catholic high school and/or grade school).
 - Sr. Jane provided information she has received regarding the priest(s) who are anticipated to serve at St. Philip during the upcoming fiscal year. Mike stressed his wish for a meeting with Fr. Tom Long where Council members could state their concerns.
 - Remove the budget item related to tuition assistance, in consideration of budgeting challenges this year. Support to GRACE and Notre Dame will continue as per the assessments.
 - Members requested that weekly contribution information be placed in the bulletin in both English and Spanish sections
 - Sr. Jane indicated that she wishes to have two Hispanic representatives on the Pastoral Council in 2015-16
 - Finance Council will meet in May to finalize the budget
 - Falcon Athletics will be contacted to see whether they would assist with a pancake/porkie fundraiser – Sept/Oct 2015

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4. Trustee Election:

- Weekend of May 16-17 – Dennis Dionne would be willing to serve a second term

5. Projects and Dialogue in process:

- Public School playground/fence request –
 - Preference is in the Crooks/Irene Streets corner of the property
 - School District would be willing to remove the fence if/when they would leave the property
 - Need to work on space for school staff parking
 - A question was raised concerning some type of portable fence to be considered
 - Set up meeting with school representatives / exchange ideas / report back to Council at the May meeting
- Falcon Athletics needs/Faith Formation needs – shared space:
 - Will need to share space especially during Sept-Oct 2015

6. May Meeting:

- Monday May 18 –Finance Council at 6:00 pm, followed by joint meeting with Pastoral Council beginning at 6:30 pm

7. Motion to adjourn made by Jack, second by Dave, motion carried.