

## **Finance Council Minutes** **Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

**Present:** Walter Leachman, Rick Stephan, Fr. Bob Nieberding, Scott King, Ron Wedding, Michael Steinmetz, Gary Morin, Wayne Rickert, Jeanne Suchanek, Jeri Isbell, David Wheatley, Steve McCauley

**Not Present:** Jason Ivy, Ben Edelen, Dan Bork, Julian Gorham, Trent Murphy, Tony Pescatore, Jon Terhune, Scott Vogt

Start Time: 7:35 AM

1. **Prayer** – and lesson around 1 Samuel 17:33
2. **Fr. Bob comments** – Bishop Gainer completed his radiation treatment. He seems to be doing well. We had a very good Christmas collection, for which a heartfelt thanks is extended. The collection for Haiti last Sunday was almost \$13K.
3. **Approval of November 18, 2009 Minutes** – approved as published.
4. **Finance Council Committee Reports** – Michael - No committee reports today.
5. **Diocesan Annual Appeal** – Walter – (#427/ \$109,489 - met goal of 109,489) Part of the donations which helped meet the goal was from a gift in memoriam.
6. **One in Faith and Mission/Guidance in Giving** – Jeanne/Fr. Bob – Jeanne announced they will meet with the Bishop on 1/22. Parish leadership will be asked to step up to help meet the goals of the new “piggyback” campaign. This will kick off around the first of July, with first funds to begin in January 2011. We still have the responsibility for the Annual Appeal for 2010. The timing of the Appeal funds is still being discussed.
7. **School Finance** – David – David reported that enrollment is holding firm and past due tuition is under control. Registration for next year is already at 412, a good number for this time. He presented a budget time line so planning can be done for getting the finances in place for next school year. A suggestion was made that some surveys be done about why parish families aren’t sending their students to the school. The output of this might go to target marketing to help increase enrollment.
8. **Bond Update** – Walter – Letter was received yesterday from National City. After meeting with the bank people, and going through the analysis, the recommendation is to lock in now. A motion was made for the council to lock in the bond per the offering described in the letter. The motion carried unanimously.
9. **Dreamstakes** - First organizational meeting was held last week. Next meeting is tonight. Need more people and ideas for the event. The event is scheduled for April 24.
10. **Year end Tax Letters** – Walter – Letters are printed and should be sent out tomorrow.
11. **Gaming Report due 1/31/10** – Walter – Leslie has first draft completed.
12. **December Month End Financial Reports** – Walter reviewed the report. There was some discussion about reviewing the format of the report, to simplify reading of the data.
13. **New items** – Volunteers were requested for a budget subcommittee. Steve McCauley, Scott King, and Michael Steinmetz stepped up for the task.
14. **Next Regular Meeting** – February 17, 2010, Time 7:30 AM.

Meeting adjourned 9:05 AM