

**Saint Anthony of Padua Parish Council  
Meeting Minutes – 1/22/08**

**Attendees:**

Joseph Poppiti  
Barbara Marsilli  
Anthony Frabizzio  
Ken Panella  
Cammie Conforti  
Mark Alberti  
Bruce Brunozzi  
Fr. John McGinley OSFS  
Peter Gigliotti  
Anthony Albence  
Lucretia Serio  
Josephine Panariello  
Karen Truitt  
Jim DelGrosso  
Ray Barto

- 1. Opening Prayer: Fr. McGinley**
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 2007 Meeting**
  - a. Spelling errors corrected
  - b. Motion for acceptance of minutes. Motion seconded and minutes accepted into record.
- 3. Discussion Topics**
  - a. Parish Financial Update**
    - **Budget Status – Fr. McGinley presenter**
      - Midterm Report  
Collections down 3% for first quarter of the year.  
Down in membership
      - School Update:
        - 304 Children – including Preschool and Kindergarten
        - There is a waiting list for those two grades
        - All Grades have two classes with the exception of 1<sup>st</sup> grade
        - 23 Staff members – which gives a less than 13/1 ratio

- St. Thomas' trying for one more year of grade school.
- **Continuing the Legacy Campaign Update – Anthony Frabizzio and Fr. McGinley presenters**
  - \$1.64 million in pledges have been received
  - \$611,000 have been collected – which is 37% of the pledge total
  - Three calls need to be made that could yield an additional \$100,000
  - 368 parishioners have taken part out of 1000 active members – almost 37%. Looking for 50% participation.
  - Foundations will be approached in a couple months – which will be the final stage of the campaign.

**b. Parish Suggestion Box Update – Anthony Albence presenter**

- Two Items:
  - Via Crucis – Why is the walking of the stations needed. Will be addressed.
  - Possible move back to old style baskets for collections
  - Jim DelGrosso – Why is confirmation two weeks before Christmas – very busy time. Possible date move to be discussed with Fr. Rinaldi and the school.

**4. High School Representatives Reports**

- No Reports

**5. Standing Committee Updates (WRITTEN REPORTS SUBMITTED)**

**a. Parish and Family Life – Anthony Albence presenter**

- Parish Open House – Ministries Fair
  - Working for a fall timeline
  - Purpose is to reconnect parishioners and to show off the parish to new and prospective members

**b. Christian Formation – Anthony Albence presenter**

- Faith before Five has five students
  - Going to reexamine curriculum
- Anne Scorsone will coordinate along with the Roach girls

- Fr. Rinaldi and Deacon Bob to conduct a survey for the parish on religious education within the church and school.

**c. Social Concerns**

- No Report
- Coat Drive continuing

**d. Building and Maintenance – Bruce Brunozzi presenter**

- Bruce looked into mosaic cleaning
  - Cleaning is the best option - \$300 in material, just need people.
  - Lots of repairs are needed – scaffolding will be needed

**e. Liturgy – Barbara Marsilii presenter**

- Meeting was held 12/4
- A second meeting for the Ministers of Hospitality was held and progress was made. Deacon Bob suggested the heads of all ministries do an evaluation of their groups.
- The Church and Vestibule need attention in keeping it clean and orderly
- Possible hiring a sexton or sharing one with another parish.
- Have confirmation (service hours) or high school children do the cleaning.
- Fr. McGinley wants to have a Parish Mission in March or sometime in the spring.
- We need a good guest speaker for this.

**f. Italian Festival – Jim DelGrosso presenter**

- Planning for secure access ongoing
  - Anthony Albence had a meeting with city officials and the plan is awaiting approval. There are different permits that are needed.
  - The vendor for the fencing has been secured
  - Access booths has been planned out
  - One of the challenges is where to get the staffing for the booths – YAC to help
  - Final pricing for admission - \$5.00 for people 13-62 years of age. Under 13 free

when accompanied by an adult and over 62 free.

- A \$15 weekly pass will also be available

**g. Respect Life – Josephine Panariello presenter**

- Bottles for Babies raised \$1116.00 – down from \$2500.00 in 2006.
  - Most parishes were down on this effort

**h. YAC – Ken Panella presenter**

- Winter Sports had 200 students
- The floor of Fournier Hall gym has been redone
- Restarting the campaign for advertisers - \$500/yr

**i. Scouting – Cammie Conforti and Mark Alberti presenters**

- **Girl Scouts**
  - Cookie Drive going on – so far have sold 86 cases.
  - Cookies will be for sale in the back of the church following masses.
- **Boy Scouts**
  - The pancake breakfast will be coming up on 2/3 in the Ballad Room after the 11am mass.
  - Marco Alberti reached Eagle Scout – the 21<sup>st</sup> to reach from this troop since 1992.
  - Two more are on their way to Eagle Scout
  - The bathroom in the back of the church is done.

**j. Saint Anthony’s in the Hills – Anthony Albence presenter**

- Board Meeting occurred
  - Strategic planning with Fred Guaraldo is still in the very early stages.

**k. Holy Name Society – Joe Poppiti presenter**

- General Membership Meeting - January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- January 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> - I Can’t Wait for the Festival Weekend
- Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> – Super Bowl weekend with various contests
- General Membership Meeting Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**I. Sodality – Lucretia Serio presenter**

- Mother and Daughter Communion Breakfast occurred on 12/2/07.
  - 113 reservations
  - Pledge given of \$1,000 for the Capital Campaign
- 1/6/08 – Sodality Social – 20 members attended.
  - Discussed future plans
- 1/15/08 – Monthly Meeting
  - 16 Ladies attended.
  - There was a guest speaker discussing back pain, neck pain and shoulder pain. Everyone received a \$27 gift card.

**6. Grade School Update/Home and School Update – Karen Truitt presenter**

**a. School Marketing/Enrollment**

- See Notes above under Financial report
- Joint Marketing booth will be open at the Italian Festival

**b. 1/20 Open House Recap**

- 32 Families attended.
- Was a big success – the cafeteria was outstanding.
- Catholic Schools week starts Monday –
  1. There are several activities planned.

**7. Music Ministries Update**

No Update

**8. New Business**

**a. Anthony Albence:**

- Meeting time to be changed to 7:00 pm?

**9. Pastors' Comments: Fr. McGinley**

- a.** Father answered questions pertaining to the annual Catholic Appeal and how the goals are set.

**10. Closing Prayer/Adjournment**

**NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, 2/26/08 @ 6:30 PM**