



St Boniface Finance Council Minutes August 28, 2014

Attendees: Kay Wasmuth
Sue Papacjik
Chris Gelsinger
Brian Jones
Pete Deakos
Cindy Clark
Randy Uebinger
Mark Luchtefeld
Lou Carnoali
Robin Hake

Next Meeting: August 28, 2014
6:30 pm

The meeting started with prayer and the introduction of two new members; Lou Carnoali from the School Board, and Cindy Clark from the Parish Council.

1. Fiscal year end financials were reviewed. In a profit & loss previous year comparison, the overall income was down about 10% from last year. A large part of the difference was in the Angel Fund and the CCIF Fund. Expenses were up about 5% overall. An analysis of contributions from previous years was requested.
2. Budget was also discussed briefly. The budget was set up the same as the actual numbers from the previous fiscal year end. The only changes were to payroll and for any special projects coming up in the new fiscal year. Members were going to review and send questions to Robin to be shared with the group.
3. A brief discussion was held on why contributions were down. The main factor is probably that economically the area is still suffering and in a recovery mode. Also, the age of the parish; younger people tend not to give as much as the older people in the parish. Our parish has a lot of young families that are still trying to get to a certain level of success before considering themselves able to give at a higher level to the church.
4. Discussion on the weekly financial report published in the bulletin determined that the format needs to be changed to a more "picture" like message over just straight numbers. Cindy Clark had a nice sample which she forwarded on to Robin.
5. Fundraisers were discussed and it was decided that perhaps the calendar should not do drawings every day, but should do it weekly and for a larger amount.
6. The different color envelopes in the packet of contribution envelopes may be causing some confusion for the parishioners. A brief explanation should be given to help clear up the confusion in the bulletin via insert or in the article.

Next meeting will be on Oct. 6, 2014, at 6:45 in the Parish office. This meeting will be to discuss the Cargill Report. The next regular Finance meeting will be scheduled in November, the date is TBD.

Action Items:

#	Action Item	Owner	Status	Due Date	Comments
1.	Contribution Analysis	Robin	In Process	ASAP	
2.	Explanation on different envelopes	Robin	Complete	09/21 bulletin	
3.	Ideas to increase contributions.	Council	In Process	Next regular Finance meeting	
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5.					
6.					