

**QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS**  
**Parish Council Meeting**  
**February 25, 2015**

1. Opening Prayer and Mission Statement – Mike Redd

2. Attendance:

Scott Gurley, Chairperson	Steve McMullen
Dino Busalachi, Vice Chairperson	Gloria Piatchek
Tim Tierney	Kay Morton
Jeanne Herzberg	Mike Redd
Patty Stevens	Monsignor Simon

3. Minutes reviewed and adopted with no revision. Moving forward minutes will be reviewed and approved via email and not discussed during meeting time.

4. Housekeeping

- a. Photos for the board in the church vestibule were completed and will be replaced this week.
- b. An updated Parish Council contact list was reviewed and approved by members.
- c. March meeting has been moved to March 25, 2015 at 7:30 PM due to speaker series being held on March 18, 2015.

5. Commission Chairperson's Reports

- a. **Finance Council** – No report.
- b. **Christian Formation** – Forth graders held a Presidential Wax Museum. Dr. Johns is working to obtain a professional development reading strategies specialist. Discussion of the school uniform branding fundraising opportunity will be tabled until the March meeting. During the school's open house, around 80 prospective families toured the school. Another impromptu open house was scheduled for February 13, 2015. Email and social media were used to invite 675 QAS families with school age children who are currently not enrolled at QAS. Social Media strategies are being reviewed for future use. Monsignor Simon reported that the new boiler for the school has been installed. Monsignor also reported that mold remediation donations average \$8,000 per month. Mike Redd was introduced as the new Parish Council member assigned to Christian Formation. Finance Council discussed capital improvement campaign and mold remediation expenses. Automatic re-enrollment was discussed to reduce paperwork and 90% of the labor, for the administration and parents, involved with the re-enrollment process. It will also presents an opportunity to interview and possibly persuade those families who notify the school that they are not re-enrolling to re-enroll. Challenges with

automatic re-enrollment are being investigated. Laptops are being utilized extensively by most classes with room for growth. iPads have arrived and will soon be rolled-out to the classrooms. Twenty-four (24) laptops will be transitioned to the computer lab. Board members do not see issues with posting the public WiFi password. Consideration is being given to providing each 8<sup>th</sup> grade student with a laptop or iPad for use during the entire school year and returned to school at year end. Home & School would be requested to subsidize 70-80% of the cost. Dr. Johns reported that the School Improvement Survey is ready and will be sent out to parents the last week of February. Dr. Johns suggested expanding the advance classes “Wheel” to include math, science, and computer science. Dr. Johns also asked the School Board to consider hiring a full-time counselor. A mobile “Wishing Tree” is to be created to display donation items needed for the school and will be placed at various parish events. Home & School committee chairperson, Sharon Tomiser, would like to step down and has requested help in finding a replacement. It has been asked that the chairperson opening be promoted prior to the April Home & School meeting with hopes of assigning a replacement at the April meeting. The Magazine Fund raiser is in full-swing and will conclude at the end of February. Home & School contributed \$31,000 last year towards the purchase of Laptops and iPads and expects to provide about \$10,000 this year. The School Board has requested an additional fund raiser in April to benefit mini technology labs in the library and discover rooms. A parent communication point-of-contact for each classroom is being considered to consolidate, unify and distribute various correspondences sent by the administration/teachers to parents. The point-of-contact would work directly with parents of each classroom to determine the best method and frequency of correspondences. Sharon Tomiser to provide a date for the Roller Rink skating event. Sharon will be promoting the April Home & School meeting as a “gathering” rather than a “meeting” and is looking for potential activities/ideas for the “gathering”.

- c. **Christian Service** – The St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) organization met in the church hall on Monday, February 23, 2015. Father Fallon spoke. The group is getting ready for Christmas 2015. A SVDP member roster was created.
- d. **Liturgy Commission** – No report.
- e. **Social Life Commission** – Activities Association is looking for parishioners to serve on their Board of Governors to fill the roles of Website Administrator, Online Registration Administrator, and Equipment Repair/Mechanic. Final preparations are being made for the Mueckl 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Basketball Tournament held March 2 – 13, 2015 under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus Council. The Boy Scouts are waiting on confirmation of summer camp dates. The Blue and Gold Banquet was held during February. February is National BSA Month. The Variety Guild will begin setup for the production of “Get A Clue” on March 14, 2015. Performances will be held April, 24, 25, 26, & May 1 and 2.
- f. **Stewardship Commission** – No report.

## 7. Old Business

- a. **Capital Campaign** – will begin in June after March surveys are sent and information on parishioner views are gathered.
- b. **Website Updates** – Parish Council members are encouraged to contact their commissions concerning website updates and should use St. Vincent de Paul as an example of an informative website page. Those organizations with their own website page are encouraged to provide a link that can be displayed on the QAS Parish website.
- c. **Communications Committee/Communications Chairperson** – this topic will be discussed in greater detail during the March meeting after more information has been gathered. Father Fallon will step back from the role of managing QAS social media as of March 1.
- d. **School Picnic** - The Parish Picnic Coordinator, Dino Busalachi, developed a breakdown of picnic responsibilities and will assign areas of responsibility to the various QAS Ministries. The ministries will be responsible for securing volunteers and facilitating the operation of their assigned area in addition to providing process documentation to be used in future years. Dino will meet with each of the ministries to insure their understanding of responsibilities.

## 8. New Business – no new business.

9. Monsignor Simon report – PSR Principal, Carrie Sallwasser, will not be returning next year. It is hoped that her replacement will be named before June. A search committee will be formed to find her replacement.

## 10. Closing Prayer

## 11. Refreshments – Mike Redd

**Next Meeting** is March 25, 7:30 pm. Tim Tierney is responsible for Prayers and Refreshments.