

Stewardship Commission, St. Thomas More Church
Meeting Minutes, Feb 8 2010

Attendees: Ron Marnicio, Elaine Walczak, Fr. Andrew Cryans, Mike Zalansky, Eileen Emmert, Allan Schwinn

Recorder: Andy Lelio

1. Minutes from the 1/11/10 meeting were accepted.
2. Reviewed I&E thru 1/31/10. Overall revenue is 1% above budget, including unbudgeted donations to Charitable Giving account (\$3800), and unbudgeted special relief donations to Haiti (\$4300). Total offertory including special collections is 2% under budget. Overall expense is 11% below budget. Group generally discussed some indoor projects that could be addressed during the winter months. Elaine mentioned that work is now being done on the CSC roof due to a cracking and leaking membrane. Andy suggested that Dennis Russell could replace the roof tiles in the UNH student room that were damaged by the leaking roof.
3. Group suggested \$15000 in excess cash be moved from the Operating account to central savings, and Elaine will execute this.
4. Elaine provided a renovation report as of 12/31/09. Total monies collected are \$223,645. Remaining pledges to be collected are \$25,040. Total monies collected and pledged are \$248,685. Total monies spent are \$250,913 and all outstanding invoices have been paid. Elaine will put this update into the bulletin. Once all above monies are collected, the next phase of renovations will commence, including purchase of a new boiler for the CSC.
5. Group reviewed the Alternative Ways of Giving document which Mike prepared for web site posting. Elaine will add verbiage on how to donate stock, and she will forward this document to the website administrator for posting.
6. Group reviewed the updated Did You Know document which Ron prepared for web site posting. Based on group input, Ron will forward a final document for website posting to Elaine.
7. Elaine told the group that new parishioner Scott Ramsey would like to join the Stewardship Comm. Group discussed ideas for sub-committees within Stewardship that might focus on specific task, ie building and grounds, fundraising, etc. Fr. Andy will call Scott to invite him to our next meeting.
8. Elaine relayed a request to buy a Food Pantry sign for the parish. Andy asked for a corkboard for the handicap entrance, so that postings do not have to be taped or stapled to the wooden siding on that side of the church. Elaine will look for both items next time she stops in to Staples.
9. Elaine mentioned that the internal auditor from the Diocese will return on Thursday of this week to review our action on several items. Elaine noted that anybody receiving a stipend of over \$100 from the church is deemed an employee, and anybody receiving \$600 or more from the church must be issued a 1099.
10. Elaine relayed a request from Julie Tracy. Air tickets for the upcoming UNH Alternative Spring Break mission must be purchased this week, totaling \$4400. Julie does not yet have enough money in the Spring Break account to cover this expenditure, and she also has no way to order the tickets online for the best deal. Group approved moving money from the Operating checking account to the Spring Break account to cover this expenditure, and this money will be returned

to Operating once the fundraising drive is complete in March. Fr. Andy will call the diocese to ask how to order the tickets. If a clear plan is not in place by Friday, Elaine will call Andy and he will order the tickets over the weekend using his personal credit card as a workaround.

11. Next Stewardship meeting is scheduled for March 15 at 6:30 pm

Thanks everyone!