

BCC Meeting 4-21-2022

Fr. T - Father Tim Backus
NB - Deacon Nancey Bookstein
SM - Sean McGaughey, Bishop's Warden
JN - Jeff Nieusma, Property Warden
DLH - Dea Labuda-Hodec
AF - Alicia Florin, Children and Safety

TP - Tracy Platz, Member at Large
GSC - Geri Sue Coe, Member at Large
VE - Vicky Emerson, Member at Large
JT - Jim Thoming, Treasurer
MM - Michelle Mrsan, Clerk

Prayer and invocation - Fr. Tim - 1 minute

Time reminder – please be mindful of time

BCC check in. 20 minutes

Core Values: 3 minutes

Children:

Outreach:

Hospitality to All:

Christian Formation:

Caring Well/Home:

Safety:

Approval of Minutes from 3/19/2022 1 minute

Celtic Fest – Information from David and Shelly Arnold

Bishop's Warden notes: videos

Property Warden's Report – Jeff Nieusma

Financial Stewardship and Vision – Jim Thoming Treasurer

Brigit's Bounty – Deanna Hodek

Outreach and Safety- Bookie

In reach conversation

Technology Team - Michelle

Vicar Notes – Father Tim

Old Business

New Business –

Prayers and adjournment

Meeting Start 7:06pm, all present except Fr. T

Prayer - Bookie

Time Reminder - SM we are going to try and be more mindful of the time. Start on time and end early!

BCC Check-In - all

Core Values

Children: SM

Christian Formation: JN

Outreach: GSC

Caring Well/Home: JT

Hospitality to All: TP

Safety: AF

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve Minutes: GSC

Second: JN

Vote: unanimous approval

Celtic Fest - Information from David and Shelly Arnold

There is no big update at this time. An anonymous donor gave \$1000! D/S are pursuing other large donations and have a lead on an advertising donation.

NB - has concern about not enough food trucks.

JN - The food trucks will NOT have access to people outside the venue.

Bishop's Warden notes - SM

From Mike Orr (Cannon for Communications) The Diocese has found company who will make a video for churches. It would be a promotional video we could use to bring more people to St. Brigit. It is \$2350 total and we would pay 1/3 (\$750). We could also use this for promoting CFB.

TP - we have a bunch of technology to update and the money could probably be better spent there rather than a video.

JT - Is it worth it?

SM - Lots of churches have videos, we should ask them if they think it is worth the money?

ACTION ITEM(S)

- talk to other churches and see if videos are worth the money
- *tabled for future conversation* SM will talk more with Mike Orr.

Property Warden's Report - JN

Parking Lot

The parking lot is done! Jeff added \$2500 of dirt, gravel, fuel to level and 80+ hours to expand the parking lot. Let JN know next time it rains if there are any low spots.

GSC - what are piles of dirt surrounding the lot?

JN - they will be made into benches for functions. There is also a new curb cut that somehow happened so there is now 2 entry/exit points into parking lot.

AF - put sign next to second curb cut so people will see it.

JT - is there more to do with parking lot to fulfill the 'finish what we started'?

JN - leaving paperwork up to JT, there may be more to do with parking lot we won't know until it rains.

Swamp Cooler

JN and Mike Wilson worked on the swamp cooler. They found out it is not tied to the roof at all, it is held on by gravity alone. Also the roofers did not do the flashing correctly which was adding to the leak. They caulked it and are hoping that works so they don't have to remove it and start over. We will have to wait until it rains or snows and see if it leaks. Will not fix drywall and ceiling until we know for sure it is not leaking.

Garden

JN spent some time teaching Dominique about grounds stuff and helping get the garden ready for planting and turning the compost. He said Dominique was a great find!

Outside Lights

The north side parking lot lights need to be replaced. JN is working on getting someone with a very long ladder to fix them or he will do it when he comes to town next.

MISC.

We will be switching to using the well water for the side yard and house lawn (instead of grey water from the town).

Mowing of church property will be done by DA as part of his paid position.

Financial Stewardship and Vision - JT

Bank Account Maintenance

JT has been going over accounts to see who needs to be removed and added. This is what he determined:

REMOVE

Fred Meyer

Felicia Smith-Graybeal

Eileen Bisgard

ADD

Michelle Visser

Alicia Florin

Tracy Platz

Jim Thoming

Sean McGaughey

*Peg Nelson needs to be on the Celtic Fest Brigit account as acting treasurer.

After much discussion the following motion was made:

Motion: TP

Jim Thoming will update all St. Brigit financial accounts to reflect above chart. The signers on accounts will be Michelle Visser, Tracy Platz, Alicia Florin, Jim Thoming, and Sean McGaughey. Peg Nelson will only be added to the Celtic Fest Brigit account as treasurer.

Second: JN

Vote: Unanimous approval

Financial Report

Electric bill has increased by about \$500 for the sanctuary and may be the greenhouse. JT will evaluate the previous bills and get with DLH about how much BCCR will owe.

TP wants to make sure flower invoice from Longmont Florist for Easter gets paid out of fake flower fund. JT has called them but does not know about any invoice. It is probably in bookkeepers inbox.

Overall JT says funds are up, most likely because many people pay their entire pledge at the beginning of the year. There have not been any new major expenses so the outlook for the year looks the same.

There are two Amazon charges on the account that need to be investigated. JT thinks something got purchased on account on St. B account by mistake. If it was for the church then we just need to figure out what was purchased so it gets put under correct budget item.

Brigit's Bounty - Deanna Hodek

Thank you to JN and MM for all of their help with BBCR!!

BBCR is now covered under St. Brigit Insurance policy. Dea needs the information because with the new childcare licensing she needs to make sure the coverage is sufficient. If it costs more to cover childcare parts BBCR will pay difference or maybe get their own policy.

More funding has opened up through the Chamber of Commerce for housing. She will send an email to Eileen.

BBCR is now sharing information through the St. B newsletter.

Organizing the basement is ongoing and they need help. Michelle Visser has been great with helping the office stuff but there is a ton to sort thru and volunteers are desperately needed.

Need help from JN to turn on the water for garden sink so they can water fruit trees. They also want to schedule an irrigation training meeting so multiple people know how to run the system. The irrigation from the city will not be on for a couple weeks.

Need more board members. GSC - Send BCC the information of responsibilities and time commitment.

BBCR clean up day is April 29 from 9am-4:40pm. St. B is not having one per the welcoming committee because there was nobody who could coordinate/run the event. Discussion followed to have one for St. B but no decision was made.

Garden planting is coming and they will need help

Dominique is seeding with native grasses and moisture control plants to decrease weeds and help with the orchard.

Need Grant Writer/Admin/Education Director. Search is not going well so they are splitting the job up into 3 positions. They are looking for part time Education Director to run childcare/camps. They are going to contract out the grant writing (Dea is doing it now). Fr T approached Michelle Visser about possibly doing some admin work for BBCR and she may be picking up 5hr/week to help take some pressure off Dea and Dominique.

Garden is putting in a burn pit for branches and trimmings, checked with fire department about regulations. Want to make it a nice seating area for events. Will not be used when children are present.

AF - freewoodchip.com Eileen registered with them to get wood chips. Also someone near the church has given us free wood chips in the past.

DLH - Not using mulch and wood chips anymore because not good for soil.

BBCR IS CARBON VALLEY NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR!!!

ACTION ITEM(S)

- Dea send BBC the responsibilities and time commitment for BBCR board

Outreach and Safety - Bookie

In reach conversation - tabled for when Fr. T is at meeting. The gist is that we need to do a better job of contacting people who haven't come back or aren't showing up. Texting, calling, emailing, prayer tree....we need to reach out more thru the St. Brigit community. Special focus for those that are not online.

Outreach

Laura Lewis raised \$510 for the Help Center with bowls project.

Safety

No new news from the Diocese. Some restrictions have been lifted, we have started using wafers without envelopes, no gloves, and no masks. No wine yet but maybe someday? The COVID hospitalization average cut off is 5.0 and we are at 4.8, the Diocese is silent so we stay status quo.

Holy Week Feedback? *Leave for next time*

Technology Team - MM, TP, GSC

The Tech Team has not had its second meeting yet. We have been gathering information on what updates we need.

TP - needs to know what type of connector we need to get for the omnidirectional mic. JN will provide the information. JN, TP, MM need to discuss omnidirectional vs ambient mics.

Comcast - Internet and Phones

JT has been evaluating new internet providers for the house and church. We currently have Comcast Business and it is slow and expensive (well over \$100). He wants to change to Comcast Residential to get faster service and pay less. We would have to change the VOIP phones to cell phones, we can keep our current phone numbers. It will cost \$15/month for St. B (service only) and \$25/month for BBCR (service and phone). The account will be under Fr. Tim, will have to be on autopay and will include mobile and internet together.

Any concerns with only having cell phones?

No way to fax. We can scan to pdf and email. If we need to fax we can go to library or office supply store. What if it gets broken or lost? We can put locator on phone and ask that it doesn't not leave the house. We will still be able to forward phone for when nobody is in the office.

BBCR is excited to actually have access to their business phone!

ACTION ITEM(S)

- JN provide info for mic connector to TP
- TP and MM discuss omnidirectional vs ambient mic for sanctuary

Vicar Notes – MM (things Fr. T asked to be covered)

History Page on Website

The history page on the website stops at 2019, we need someone to fill in the missing years and keep it going in the future. Suggestion to ask Rick Hess.

Church Business Tab on Website

The church business tab on the website is very confusing and jumbled. MM has condensed the calendars and some of the documents to make it easier to navigate. BCC needs to review tab, facility use forms and application to make sure no updates are needed. Shelly Arnold is trying to locate the contract for children's functions.

BCC Retreat Notes

Name tag storage - Dea is looking into a new way to display name tags in breezeway.

Ministry List - everyone received a copy of the current Ministry list. The BCC needs to look over ministries and see what needs to be updated, changed, eliminated, etc.

Prayer Wall on Zoom Church - the camera is now focused on the prayer wall for zoom church so a picture is not needed

Realistic financial understanding of CFB - (not discussed at this time)

Sound issues for Zoom Church - this will be addresses by Tech Team

ACTION ITEM(S)

- ask Rick Hess to be St. B historian
- BCC needs to review church business tab on website and review forms
- BCC needs to review Ministry List

Old Business

New Business

Prayers and adjournment - SM @ 8:45pm

