

STA Finance Council Meeting Notes  
April 27, 2021 7:00PM via Zoom

Present: John Moss (Chair), Bobby LeBlanc (business manager), Reilly Smidt, Sue Winer, Dave Wohlsdorf, Scott Blum (Buildings & Ground chair)  
Not present: Brad Powers

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Prayer & minutes by Dave

#### **Review of budget vs actual year to date results**

- Administration – Sue Winer – offertory is not increasing yet. Online giving continues to be strong. Nothing additional to note.
- Development – Sue Winer – most cost related to winter newsletter. Spring appeal will be in mailboxes in next ten days. Nothing out of the ordinary.
- Campus Ministry, Liturgy – Dave Wohlsdorf – expense well under budget. Nothing out of the ordinary.
- Faith Formation – Brad Powers – no report (not present)
- Stewardship – John Moss – \$1800 under budget so expect that to be amount as well at year end.
- Personnel – John Moss – income \$100K over due to PPV grant. Next month will be time for the second contribution to Campus Ministry (\$65K). Council agreed to NOT to take the contribution at this time. Will make final decision at end of fiscal year (June). Expenses are 12% under budget YTD.
- Parish Life – Reilly Smidt – \$5300 positive YTD as expenses and income is lower than budget.
- Service & Justice including spending LYN, Social Justice and Honduras – Reilly Smidt – \$3400 under budget YTD. No concerns.
- Overview – expect to be \$200k positive at the end of the fiscal year.

#### **2021-2022 proposed budget feedback – John Moss**

Pastoral Council approved with two minor changes. Removed Fr. Ben from budget as he will not be in STA parish next fiscal year. Council added a line item, “flexibility for new hires salary”, which balances with Fr Ben’s expenses. John will distribute the budget after Sue has put the it into the monthly format.

#### **Lounge Renovation – Scott Blum**

Three contractors with ties to STA were requested to make proposals. Henkel provided the lowest base bid. Options were also evaluated for alternative work including lighting, countertop replacement, painting adjacent rooms, etc. It was noted that overall economics and material costs are driving costs upward in 2021 and it is believed costs will not lower. Total project cost is estimated to be \$145,000 which includes appropriate contingency. This will create an environment for students and all parishioners as a visually attractive place where all will want to spend time. Finance council recommends proceeding with the basics and all alternative with completion summer of 2021. This will be paid for using ~\$50,000 from development funds designated for this project and the remaining \$95,000 from the capital improvement fund.

Discussion moved to “what is the appropriate amount to maintain in the capital improvement fund to cover three years of repairs”. Council estimated it would be \$100,000. At end of fiscal year end we will agree how much of the operating excess should be diverted to the capital improvement fund.

**Buildings and Grounds Report - Scott Blum**

Student lounge has been the main topic. Last Saturday was a successful spring cleanup day. Microphones above the piano are proposed to be replaced and some ethernet cables in the music area will be placed into conduit. More information to be shared after the meeting.

**Combination of two giving policies on giving - Bobby/Brad**

Council members are requested to review the draft of the new combined policy. This will then be reviewed at the May meeting.

Next Meeting: May 25, 2021, 7:00PM

Prayer/Minutes will be taken by Reilly (Sue will take June meeting)