

## **ST. BRENDAN COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 5, 2018**

Meeting commenced at 6 p.m. with a prayer by Father asking God for His guidance as we begin this new year. Minutes were approved as amended. In attendance: Sandra Neuman, Arline Prib (this is her last meeting as her service is over), Tony Partington, Fr. Wichert, Kathleen Keeney, Kerri Foust, Brigitte Blair, Florence Carlsen and Gordon McKinzie.

Tony was hoping that Catherine would be in attendance to see the school's year-end financial report. He was handed a copy of the parish year-end report which included the school. We had been more than \$100,000 in the hole (parish was subsidizing) but that was before money that hadn't come in. All came in and now we are \$11,000 to the good. There are no changes that we know of but at the end of September, Kerri will enter the families enrolled and communicate with Catherine about all of this.

ACA PROGRESS: There is \$180,000 worth of pledges with our goal being \$140,000. This over amount will be used toward painting and carpeting at Brendan House. We are awaiting another bid regarding the fixing of the stained glass windows.

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PARISH: Kerri showed us the new format report to the parish that will be prepared by the Finance Council. Father said there is still a need to build reserves. He would like to build up the staff. He doesn't want parishioners to think there is not a need. There is a lot that needs to be done and Father wants that to be a clear message. He will include this in a letter with the annual report to the parish. How do we handle this now and five years from now?

Tony announced he has one year left on the council and suggested we start looking for members. It would be nice to have someone with financial expertise.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 with closing prayer by Father.