

St. Gabriel the Archangel Church

Approved Parish Council Minutes

September 1, 2022

Members Present: Fr. Jason Harris, Cole McDowell, Kevin Abell (June 2022), Andrew Simpson (June 2023), Linda Lenhart (June 2023), Stephanie Oliver (June 2023), Dennis Comella (June 2024), Dawn Roseberry (June 2022),

Members Absent: Deacon Stephen Bowling, Deacon Mike Fitzmayer, Evie Yaden (June 2021), Rachel Fitzmayer (June 2024)

Opening Prayer: Fr. Jason Harris

August meeting minutes approved by: Dennis Comella and Andrew Simpson

Questions/Concerns/Comments

- School Board Dynamics
- Bulletin- some things listed can be repetitive, but the older generation wants it.
- David Layten's funeral is next Thursday.
- School Classroom doors are locked per State Law.
- Church doors on either side of the Alter are locked for safety.
- Great feedback from the Rosary Rally. Every age was there. Daily Mass parishioners, teams, and others. It was impressive. It was also live on Facebook.
- Teams are praying at practices and games.

New Business:

- **Gabriel Campus**
 - Mistrust of decisions. Example – clear water bottle policy.
 - Bus Service – contract with Jefferson Co. for the last 3 years for student transportation. They canceled the contract without much notice. We negotiated the cost to keep the price the same. We were able to get 5 busses rather than 6, but that meant a bus depot was needed causing people to be upset.
 - Communication needs to be improved. There were 2 emails sent to let parents know, but there was no meeting to make the announcement.
 - The Trumpet goes out Friday evening at 5:00 p.m. Some parents don't read it.
 - Church goers seem to get what's going on and trust decisions that have been made.
- **Campus Spirituality**
 - Fr. Jason feels good about where we are.
 - The Rosary is said, and there is a Weekly Psalm Study with teachers from 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.
 - Little Rock Scripture Study

- Monthly 6:30 a.m. Mass – Participation has increased.
- Presiders are being scheduled.
- **Fr. Jason's Campus Update**
 - Need someone to oversee communication for the school. People are looking at the webpage – it needs revamping. School communication is gone. Needed to hire a new person.
 - Parish job descriptions are needed.
 - Picnic needs to be moved out of August.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Jason

Next Meeting: October 6, 2022

Submitted by: Linda Lenhart, Parish Council Secretary