

December 16, 2010 Meeting started at 6:00PM with 11 present.

Meeting opened with prayer by Father Collins

Minutes: were read and approved.

Treasures Report:

Beginning Balance: \$3, 780.49

Expenses reviewed

Closing balance: \$ 22.01

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Cooking Trailer

Mike Klein said we have spent \$12, 431.94 on the trailer, Bill Hodge said that the trailer is now completed and ready for use. It has not been inspected by the health dept but Bill said there should not be any problem. Host facility is also approved by Bayou Bill's Restaurant...this meets approval of health department for portable trailers. We do not have our permit yet but will be issued. Bill will be testing it soon. Bill's truck is capable of pulling trailer. Father said we are in deficit spending at this time ...Mike cline presented a financial prospectus for the coming year which involves the various fish fries, breakfasts and first use of the trailer at a public function.

Mike projected a before expenses a net income of \$24, 622.00 for the coming year with the use of the trailer .After careful study of coming year 2011 expenses and income he felt we would have a net year end income after trailer expenses of around \$13,000 that we can use for charities.

Mike passed out the proposed income and expense sheets to the members. Mike feels we have met our goals for the trailer. We will put St Rita Catholic Church on the trailer.

Father brought up the concern of staffing the trailer at events. Bill Hodge said we would have to have a training session for the cooking staff.

Mike proposed that we should pre-identify for the coming year the church programs that we wish to fund so that the income can be distributed in a fair manner.

Joe Collelo suggested that we call the funds to be distributed "St Rita Out-reach Programs" instead of identifying a charity at a specific dinner.

Will Klein with the boy scouts presented a gift to each Men's club member in appreciation for the support that was given to the St. Rita Scout program. Up date on Bob Bob Borella may be coming home in a week or more. He is going through therapy for walking and is much improved.

Joe Collelo reviewed the staffing for the first fish fry dinner on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

Tristan Lanasta is still working on his eagle scout program for the Ark and he is to report is financial status at the end of the project. He had earlier approached the Men's Club for support.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike said we need to have a committee to see who needs the Men's Club support for the coming year and will appoint that committee shortly. Father said we might include the pre-school this year financial help. It was mentioned that pre-school members also be included in volunteering their

help in the dinners...teachers as well as parents if they wish our support. Plus maybe support high school support groups that are apart of the church.

Jim Kelly requested that minutes be posted on the internet site. Father said he saw no problem with that point. It was voted and approved.

Father would like for us to think about a party or celebration for the coming years' MORTGAGE BURNING event .

Char Carone and Bob Borella are to be especially remembered in our prayers.

Father closed the meeting with a prayer.