

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

Finance Council Meeting

Date: Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Time: 7:30 pm

Minutes:

- 1. The meeting commenced at 7:40 p.m. with a group prayer led by Fr. Mariusz. Those in attendance were Ann, Brandt, Chris, and Fr. Mariusz.
- 2. Father Mariusz put forward some possible dates for the upcoming parish financial council meetings, and these dates were approved by the attending members.
- 3. The committee members unanimously agreed on the critical importance of recruiting new members to strengthen and expand the financial group.
- 4. They emphasized the significance of presenting financial reports to the parish at the end of the calendar year and reviewed the financial statements.
- 5. During the discussion, we also delved into the current status of rental properties and their significant role within our community. Additionally, we explored the financial support required by the parish.
- 6. It was emphasized that promoting donations through electronic platforms is vital for our parish, as it allows our community members to contribute conveniently and securely. Therefore, we should feature information about electronic donations in our weekly bulletin to encourage greater participation and support.
- 7. At the meeting, we were informed that due to the absence of any ongoing building construction, the Diocese of Calgary is advising us to close the building fund. As a result, we are proposing to change the designation on the envelopes from "building fund" to "maintenance fund."
- 8. Update on TIA: The Diocese of Calgary has set our fundraising goal at \$24,463. As of today, we have collected \$6,262, leaving a remaining amount of \$18,201 to reach our target.
- 9. We have discussed the important need for some minor repairs to be carried out at the church in Vulcan.
- 10. Furthermore, a gift for the Deacon was discussed in appreciation of his work in the parish for the last 20 years.
- 11. The meeting concluded with a final prayer at 8:30 pm.