

Holy Trinity Church Council Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 26, 2026  
6:00 pm  
Holy Trinity Catholic School Classroom

**Opening Prayer**

**Father Adam**

**Attendance**

Members in Attendance: Rebecca Hanson, Dan Willger, Sarah Warring, Mike Drost, Dean King, Mike Sweeney, Father Adam, Father Isaiah

- Additional Attendees: N/A
- Members Absent: John Kinnick, Walt Organ, Father Phil Juza

*\*Council Members:* Rebecca Hanson, Dan Willger, Sarah Warring, John Kinnick, Mike Drost, Walt Organ, Dean King, Mike Sweeney, Father Adam, Father Isaiah, Father Phil Juza

**Treasurer's Report**

Mike Sweeney

- See attached Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
  - 6042 – Elevator and Refrigerator costs (unexpected costs)
  - 6122 and 6125 are new costs (lawn care and snow removal) – B&G will be looking into this for next year and we need to keep looking for possible volunteers to help keep costs down
- Draft Budget (see attached) discussed.
  - If “rent” increases to \$750 from Bishop Hammes Center Mike will update sheet
  - Need to continue communicating financial concerns for this fiscal year and next

**Old Business**

- *Signage by the Highway:* Has been **TABLED** from the 5/28/2022 meeting and will be revisited at a later time.
- *Daily Mass and Confession Schedule:* **COMPLETED**
- *Old Holy Trinity Meeting Minutes/Records:* Given to Father Isaiah to store with the other HT documents. **COMPLETED**

**Continued Business**

- Bishop Hammes Center
  - Diocese received the drafted letter from Mike Sweeney and Father Adam.

- Proposal was initially \$500.00 a month for rent going forward. Father Adam recently requested \$750 per month as a result of the new snow removal costs Holy Trinity is having to cover
- Diocese of Superior Pastoral Plan
  - Goals for 2026 on Growth and Evangelization.
  - Due by May 2026
  - Possible proposals: Sanctuary Renovation with Restoration of Confessionals (Mission Goal) and a Plan for School Building (Maintenance Goal)
  - Additional proposals: “Mentorship and Apprenticeship into Roles” – inviting other members to “shadow” roles needed around the church instead of voluntelling them – may help increase participation once they realize what the role entails & “Prioritizing Hospitality for Pre-Evangelization” – could include a fire pit/outdoor space for the community and members to utilize. Other ideas include a bible study, small groups, or more Rosary sessions. Helping people grow in their faith.
- Thank you cards will be sent out to the following individuals (by Rebecca) for assisting in the cleanup of the church and school: Mike Drost, Mike Sweeney, Dean King, Chris Janssen, Bev Ogan, Walt Organ, Benita Kodesh, Emily Bjugstad, Paul Bjugstad
  - Updates: The cards are all written. Rebecca will hand out during the church dinner.
- “Restricted Gift” of \$5,000 was donated by an anonymous donor (per Chris Janssen) with the specific use for Mental Health. Possible idea: Grief Group
  - Father Adam is going to follow up with Mike to determine the donor of the restricted gift and will then reach out to verify the use of this gift, along with other options, or return the gift if it cannot be used as it was intended by the donor.

**Additional New Business:**

1. School Demo: Father Isaiah has been working on obtaining blue prints of the buildings. Currently has blue prints for the elevator edition and the cemetery.
  - a. Father Isaiah has been looking into quotes for possible demolition, with idea that abatement would need to happen due to asbestos and lead
  - b. Dean King is going to follow up with Walt Organ as Walt’s granddaughter knows how to write grants and we may be able to get a grant for a possible abatement (removal of asbestos and lead) and/or environmental grant to assist with this

- c. Sarah and Rebecca will work to draft up a document to communicate with the Parish family this upcoming situation and how it will need to be addressed
  - i. Focus of the draft will focus on Hope and Investment in the Future of Holy Trinity, even with the loss of the school building.

**Future Meeting Dates:** Tentatively: HT Pastoral/Finance @ 6-7pm on select Thursdays:  
May 28

**Adjourn**

- Meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ 7:07 \_\_\_\_\_ pm.

**Closing Prayer**

Father Adam