

St. John of the Cross Men's Club
Minutes for March 29, 2012

A regularly scheduled meeting of the St. John of the Cross Parish Men's Club was held on March 29, 2012 at 7:30pm in the Parish Center. In attendance were Barrett Long, Larry Ansilio, Fran Connelly, Bill Bright and John Cisek. Regrets from Steve Ryan, Tom Williams, and Randy Ferrari. Dick Halm has informed us that he will no longer participate on the board.

The meeting opened with a prayer at 7:38pm.

Old Business

- Approved last meeting's minutes
- NCAA Men's Night out – the night was a moderate success, considering it was put together about 30 days ahead of the date. Suggestions for next year:
 - Target the first Thursday of the NCAA tourney
 - Publish the date sooner, do more marketing
 - Look into additional TVs and better sound for watching games in the Parish Center
- Fr. Morello talk – about 30 men were present and he was well-received. Once again Fran was commended for his great work to attract excellent speakers for the Men's Club Spiritual series

Committee Reports

President – Barrett will be meeting with Laura in May to reserve dates for the 2012/2013 year

Finance – Larry handed out reports he got from Margarite as well as his own report of Men's Club finances. The two are off about \$1100, probably due to the carryover from last year that we think we got, but may not be on the parish books yet. Larry will continue to follow up.

Also, it is time to start thinking about where we will donate our excess funds. All board members should think about their suggestions and either submit them to Barrett or bring them to the next board meeting. We will decide at the April meeting where we will donate excess funds.

Spiritual – Fran reported

- There are no additional speakers planned for this fiscal year (ending June 30)
- Targeting the next spiritual speaker for September 2012 to kick off the next fiscal year
 - One idea put forth is a CRHP reunion
- We decided to hold off for now on scheduling a Men's Club Retreat based on an absence of support in the mini-survey that we circulated in February
 - Fran has heard about the beginnings of another potential retreat; John to investigate and report back at next meeting

Parish Liaison: One idea for excess funds is to donate to the parish 'Caritas' fund, a discretionary fund used by Bill/Fr. Dave to help local people/groups.

Events: Steve not present, no report

New business:

- Youth Catechesis cookout is Sunday April 29 from 11am to 1pm
 - Bill B is the point person and will be looking for volunteers
- Barrett will look into details of the SJC Teachers/Staff Appreciation Lunch as no date has been set as far as we know
- Approved the idea to have a Men's Club Golf Outing on a Friday afternoon in June
 - Steve to work with Jim Strafaci to schedule at Flagg Creek

- We will look into posting approved board meeting minutes on the SJC website, in the Men's Club section; John will contact MJ to investigate

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 19.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with a closing prayer at 8:40.