Minutes - St. Mary Finance Committee, Sept 28, 2026, Noon, Parish Center**(subject to approval at next mtg)**

1. Opening Prayer was said
2. Present: Jim Schlueter, Tom Augustyn, Austin Greve, Sharon Keehner, Lisa Kies;
3. Approve Agenda: Motion by Austin/2nd by Sharon to approve the agenda; all in favor; motion carried.
4. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by Sharon/2nd by Austin to approve minutes of prev meeting; all in favor; motion carried
5. Communications/Guests: Letter from Sue Bahls concerning the Parish Center and Kids Kampus was read
6. Old Business
    a) Building Report Card and progress on insurance co. findings: batteries replaced in exit lights and hole drilled to access test button on exit sign in old school
    b) Bat Control – guys were here with a longer lift and did some spray foam
    c) Signage – working on putting it up
    d) Parking lot line painting was completed;
    e) Ramp/Lift for Church basement: contractors have indicated existing doorways will not accommodate an incline platform lift because there is not enough head space; installing an enclosed platform lift in the north entrance would entail demolishing all the steps in that location; and building a shaft; Cost for the lift itself would be $45,000; removing the steps and building the shaft would be additional. Also considering an aluminum roll-a-ramp that could be placed in the south entrance – that would be portable and easier to setup than current steel ramp – cost would be approx. $1700.
    f) Electric/Water Meters – have quote to install electric meter; waiting for quote on Electric meter; in the meantime, Lisa to get with Elkader on what devices they used in their rectory to determine usage
7. New Business
    a) Garden Boxes – will be available for rent for next year
    b) Pastorate Finance Commission Update – Sharon shared info from the Sept 8th meeting
    c) August Finance Report – motion by Sharon/2nd by Tom to approve; all in favor; motion carried
    d) Approve Bills—motion by Austin/2nd by Tom to approve; all in favor; motion carried
8. Closing Prayer was said
9. Adjourn Meeting; motion by Austin/2nd by Tom; all in favor; motion carried; adjourned at 1:10pm
10. Next Meeting, Monday, October 26, noon, Parish Center