

**St. Thomas Aquinas
Parish Council Minutes
For
November 13th, 2012**

Attendees: Val Richardson, Sr. Pat Russell, Kenny Davis, Betty Garrett, Father Chad Puthoff, Mary McClain, Sue Pecora, Tom Tarrant, Rey Mendez, Beatriz Alvarez, Jerry Stovall

Absent: Carmencita Robles

Call To Order: The meeting was called to order by Sue Pecora at 6:06 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Sister Pat Russell

September Minutes: Motion to adopt by Tom Tarrant and approved.

October Agenda: Approved as amended.

Old Business:

1. Report on a more reverent mass.

--Videos were played during the masses one weekend to emphasize how to behave in church. They were received with mixed reviews, but generally positively by the parishioners. Bookmarks depicting reverent behavior during mass have been distributed.

2. Town hall meeting for building projects.

--A list of building priorities was generated and will be presented to the finance and building committees for funding consideration.

3. The Year of Faith committee report—Kenny Davis has met with the Sunday morning faith sharing group to garner ideas. Committee meetings will be held shortly.

4. Parish Council elections—There are three positions to be filled this year. Tom Tarrant will lead the nominating committee to request the nominations and handle the election of the new members.

5. Parish dance—Sue Pecora is chairing a committee for the parish to host a dance in early 2013.

New Business:

Committee Reports: The Altar Guild has changed their name to the Sanctuary Committee and will no longer be running the rummage sale. The Daughters of Isabella are currently considering taking over the rummage sale.

Knights of Columbus: Ken Walker is coordinating a CPR class for the parish. There will be monthly luncheon fund raisers after the 12:30 mass to raise money for audio equipment for the parish.

Closing Prayer: The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. and the closing prayer was given by Mary McClain.

Next Meeting: 6:00 p.m. December 11th , 2012

Respectfully Submitted: Kenny Davis, Council Secretary