

**St. Thomas Aquinas  
Parish Council Minutes  
For  
January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

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

**Absent:** Carmencita Robles, Karen Dalton

**Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order by Jerry Stoval at 6:05 p.m.

**Opening Prayer:** “Our Father”, led by Tom Tarrant

**November Minutes:** Motion to adopt by Sue Pecora and approved.

**January Agenda:** Motion to adopt by Tom Tarrant and approved as amended.

**Old Business:**

1. Sue Pecora’s update on the Fundraiser Dance—A St. Patrick’s Day themed fundraiser dance is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, after Mass. The event will be catered and a band will provide live music. Motion to approve the date by Tom Tarrant and approved.
2. Year of Faith committee report. The Year of Faith committee created a list of suggested activities for parishioners and their families to be distributed at Mass. The high school youth group will create a short video to be shown at Mass to promote Year of Faith activities. The committee has also tentatively scheduled Valimar Jansen, a highly regarded Catholic inspirational/catechetical speaker, singer, composer and recording artist for a 3-day event August 23-25<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

1. Election of officers: Jerry Stovall was re-elected as Chairman, Sue Pecora was re-elected as Vice-Chairman, and Kenny Davis was re-elected as Secretary.
2. Committee reports/selecting new chairs—new committee chairs will be selected at the next meeting.
3. Photos for Parish Council—The secretary has new photos and will be updating the parish council board with them.
4. Pamphlet rack—A pamphlet rack will be placed in the gathering area to provide information on the Catholic faith.

**Closing Prayer:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m. and the closing prayer was given by Deacon Jim Keaney.

**Next Meeting:** 6:00 p.m. February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Respectfully Submitted: Kenny Davis, Council Secretary