

# FELC Technology Sub-Committee Minutes

**Meeting Date: August 6, 2012**

**ATTENDEES:**

Bob Damon (chair)  
Jonathan Leahy  
Adam Thiel

**Excused:**

Don Monson  
Dave Owens  
Tim Wilson  
Kyle Pfeifer  
Mike Fredericks  
Jerry Ader  
Todd Wilson  
Gary Haberland

**Minutes of July 9 Meeting**

The minutes of the July 9 Technology Sub-Committee meeting were approved as distributed..

**Ambient Microphone Test**

In the absence of Gary Haberland, Bob Damon explained the progress in the ambient microphone test to improve audio for television viewers. Mics placed against the wall near the communion rail, one on each side of the sanctuary, are showing the greatest improvement. When placed on the communion rail itself, there is not enough nearby solid surface to reflect sound waves into the microphone.

A test with mics placed high on the front surface of the balcony was recommended, preferably on a Sunday when the parish choir sings.

**Recommendations from R&R Technologies**

- Move from present system of recording live to DVD to recording on computer. The existing technology is aging and going away.
- Hardware platform cannot be identified until software is selected.

**Discussion**

Software with greater capabilities come with two costs, financial and level of skill required to operate it in an effective and efficient manner.

- Professional Software  
Final Cut Pro X (editing) + Motion (titling) – Macintosh \$300 & \$50  
Adobe Premier – Mac and Windows \$670  
Sony Vegas Pro 11 -- \$600