

Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting 2015-06-23

Present: Harland R, Margaret Kiestermann, Fr. Tom, Greg Bazaan, Mary Nichols, Dianne Hensley, Mary Minard, Steve Kennedy, Ruby Hibben, Pat Colwell, Tom Salkeld, Margaret Klein, Joanne Chandler

1. Absent – Michell, Nathan, Scott, Matt, Tonya,

2. Father Tom opened in prayer.

3. Minutes approved.

4. Old business

Tom S – update on Parking lot. Pledged 281K, rec'd 270+K. Very much on track.

Fr. Tom/Tom S: Strategic Planning - passed out list of possible dates. Consideration of what data about parish s/b collected. Also need input from parishioners on what is needed – by younger families for example. Then need to consider. Want to be done by Dec 1.

Tom S: Strategic Planning first meetings shorter (2.5hrs) to orient participants, giving objectives and some info about process. Later a list of data elements given to participants. Later meetings may be half/all day. Data elements matched to agenda items. Then we do parish needs assessment. After needs comes planning – short/long term goals. Monitoring process. Implementations needs. Plan, goals, monitor, implement. Evaluation is the last phase of a given pass thru the process – where we tweak/reassess and plan/monitor/implement.

There will be readings for each participant to do prior to meetings. Fr Tom will be sending a list of readings.

Book: *Intentional disciples, The Changing Face of Church* (a quick read)- source of ideas, not all will apply to Blessed Sac. There is an Emerging Practices section of Changing Face. Harland has read this book & liked it. Fr. Tom says there is much info on line (sicut “rebuilt parish.org”)

Strategic Planning Meeting Dates:

Thursday July 16 1800

Wednesday July 29 @ 1800

Sunday Aug 16 @ 1400 (longer mtg)

Sunday Aug 30 @ 1300 - Parish Input Session

Wednesday Sept 2 @ 1800 - Parish Input Session

Wednesday Sept 23 @ 1800 - Council Review Session

Sunday Oct 11 @1300 Council Review Session

Old Business, cont.

Father will announce input sessions in mass

Mary Minard on Volunteering: observing, talking to others, people have been talking to her & offering to volunteer for stuff.

Then we did introductions. We were not entirely serious in this task.

New Business.

Greg Bazaan is leaving pastoral council. Many thanks for all your work, Greg.

Fr Tom: signing a lease for the downtown drop-in center.

Q from Tom S: will we get a financial report at fiscal eoy from faith formation? Fr. Tom says yes.

Pat C: Opinion – we need to give the drop-in center time to see what it will do. Like an incubator.

Committee Reports.

Liturgy/Greg – nothing to report

Stewardship/ Mary – numbers up on volunteer breakfast, looking for ways to enhance it. Considering changes in hospitality. Finding people interested in hospitality activities. Celebrations with purpose. Possibly outdoor activities.

Finance: Tom – implemented FF subsidies – June payment paid in full as requested, which pays the rent on the drop-in center.

Living legacy distribution – will take in 2 payments July & January. About \$40K.

Lots of bldg. & ground projects. Bell tower right now.

Q Margaret – funding and revenue stream for votive candles (Tom S: unrestricted memorials).

Community Life: Mary Menard – scheduling meeting

WCFFC/Harland – nada

CVCC/Margaret – hoping to finish the year in the black despite a beginning deficit. New pgm : edge-inuity? Taking the place of textbooks. Can individually guide students in the text material.

Youth – no report.

No regular PC meeting in July, we'll have the strategic planning meetings

Motion to adjourn/seconded.