

REPORT – PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY MAY 15, 2014
6:30 PM

Attendance: Fr. Charlie Garza, Geoff Unger, Dot DeWitte, Rey Blancarte, Walt Graner, Johnny Martinez, John Pacheco (for Suzanne); Finance Council representatives: Judy Tixier, Susan Curran.

Prayer: Offered by Geoff, Prayer of St. Martin de Porres.

Introductions all around. Minutes from April 24, 2014: motion to approve by Walt, seconded by Geoff, passed unanimously.

Friday Night Family Movie

- Proposed by Family Apostolate Group, to be held once a month.
- Evaluate after one year.
- Motion by Walt, seconded by Rey; all approved.

Women's Faith-Sharing Group

- Spearheaded by Mary Pomeroy, initially as six-week book discussion and faith-sharing sessions.
- Future program proposed over nine months, then evaluate.
- Mary will be aided by committee of three.
- Motion by Geoff, seconded by Dot; all approved.

Adult Faith Formation Program

- Fr. Charlie plans to conduct adult classes, the initial session a prerequisite under the Adult Faith Formation Section for anyone wishing to pursue further classes.
 - Fr. Charlie would teach the first time; end goal to have other trained catechists take over in the future.
 - Classes would begin this summer; Wednesday nights look most promising.
 - Positive Council feedback: the more programs we can offer, the more attractive our parish will be to potential members.
 - Motion by Walt, seconded by Johnny; all approved.

Site Master Plan

- Fr. Charlie: immediate need to accelerate debt payment before considering new construction.
- Once this is accomplished, long-term vision to expand campus to meet anticipated parish growth.
- Geoff will send out email, identifying positive aspects of Master Plan to present to parish.
- Further discussion at next Council meeting.

Pastoral Plan

- Aim to identify five broad priorities derived from parish feedback (e.g., Faith Formation, Social Ministries), and then identify specific needs within those areas to be addressed (e.g., staffing needs, facilities).
- Need chair and committee to formulate feedback instrument for parish to fill out.
 - Suzanne and Dot nominated as co-chairs; both agreed to serve.
 - Four additional committee members TBA.
 - Once established, this committee will meet with Fr. Charlie to plan strategy.

Next Meeting Date

- Thursday, June 19 at 6:30 PM.

Closing Prayer: Offered by Geoff.

Adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dot DeWitte