



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2016

Present: Julie Gauvreau, Bernadette Gross, Annette Linden, John Axe, Fr. John, Terri Zunis, Don Gates, Julie Gale, Jim Jaskowiak, Mark Manning, Vicki Simkovich.

Opening Prayer – 7:00 pm

- I. Faith Sharing (fifteen minutes – reading was [Lk 24:46-53](#) led by Vicki Simkovich).
- II. Review and approval of April minutes – reviewed and approved.
- III. Discussion Items
 - A. Discuss Tools for Rebuilding chapters 57-67 –
 - i. Council discussed the section regarding celebrating the wins: dinners, lunches, welcoming new parishioners.
 - ii. Show parishioners having fun on our website.
 - iii. Read to the end for the next meeting.
 - B. Darla's letter -
 - i. Council sent a reply to Helping Hands in response to their letter.
 - ii. Council minutes are now on the web site.
 - iii. Minutes will be sent out to the heads of the parish ministries.
 - C. Stewardship Commitment Weekend –
 - i. OLQP did this a year ago. Participation from new volunteers was not as high as we had hoped.
 - ii. We may have another Stewardship Commitment Weekend in September.
 - D. Web site update –
 - i. Content has been moved from the old to the new web site.
 - ii. Will discuss the new web site at the leadership meeting: will offer training to the leaders.
 - iii. Music Ministry page will be integrated to the new web site.
 - E. Couples Dinner, Dance, and Social was Saturday, April 16th, at 6 pm in Parish Hall –
 - i. Food was good, the DJ was entertaining but not too loud, it was an enjoyable evening with 55 attendees.
 - ii. The Couples Ministry will be e-mailing attendees thanking for their attendance.
 - iii. Ministry will share resources about marriage.
 - F. Parish Picnic –
 - i. Will be August 27th after 4:30 pm mass to avoid a scheduling conflict with the golf outing.
 - ii. Everybody brings a dish.
 - G. Active threat training – Follow up action items:
 - i. Julie Gauvreau will contact Mark Fender to prioritize what still needs to be addressed.
 - ii. Carabiner clips could be used to hold entry doors closed.



- iii. We could store 2x4's in the bathrooms to be used during an active threat to keep intruders out.
 - iv. An adhesive film can be applied over the pane glass on church doors to keep the glass from shattering.
 - v. Need to make sure the doors are securely locked from now on.
 - vi. Could get a wireless motion detector/camera that notifies Fr. John when someone is inside the church.
- H. Parish Hall Procedures and Guidelines –
- i. It would be useful to have a manual we can use to determine how to properly put things back in order.
 - ii. Sound system, kitchen, dishwasher.
 - iii. Fr. John will ask Patrick and Jim to come up with a Parish Hall manual before the leadership meeting.
- I. Other –
- i. Starting over the summer, Grace Ogonek will be a part time catechetical director for OLQP.
 - a. Grace will oversee where we are lacking regarding protecting children according to age group.
 - b. Will update formation programs by updating our curriculum.
 - c. In her first year, Grace will make sure we are in compliance with the diocese.
 - d. Grace may also help with vacation bible school.
 - e. Grace worked at St. Joseph Academy before accepting this position.
 - ii. Should OLQP replace the bells in the Chapel?
 - a. Bell sounds from a speaker used to ring at noon and 6 pm, but can no longer be repaired for a reasonable cost.
 - b. OLQP would need to spend \$8000 for a new carillon system.
 - c. Council Members agreed to survey parishioners to determine how high a priority this project should be in our parish.
- IV. Refreshment Break – Light snacks and desserts were shared.
- V. Committee Reports
- A. Finance (Fr. John) –
- i. Finance Council is meeting next Thursday night to go over the budget for the next fiscal year.
 - ii. Collections have become sporadic in the last month or so. Easter collection down by almost 3000 from last year. Mortgage reduction has been down.
 - iii. Finance council will send out a survey and a records update request.
- B. Building (Fr. John) – We hired a professional service to clean the carpets in the church this week. They did a nice job.
- C. Welcoming (Ellen Yacobozzi) –
- i. Chelee Quarm would like to thank all that helped out for welcome weekend.



- ii. 15 packets were distributed at the various masses.
 - iii. Chelee sent out e-mails to all new parishioners prior to the weekend and had a great turnout as a result.
 - iv. The date for the next welcome weekend has not been determined yet.
- D. Pre Cana (Jon Axe) – Nothing to report.
- E. Awakening Faith Committee (Terri Zunis) - Nothing to report.
- F. GMBA (Terri Zunis) –
- i. The kickoff meeting will be May 25th, 2016 at the Grafton Midview Public Library at 8 am.
 - ii. A light breakfast will be provided by the Mayor’s Office.
 - iii. A letter inviting all businesses and non-profit organizations was sent out and included a survey to determine the interests of specific groups.
 - iv. On the agenda will be:
 - i. Picking a new name for the organization (Grafton Community Business Partnership).
 - ii. Creating a mission statement.
 - iii. Selecting meeting times for future meetings.
 - iv. The meeting will last one hour.
- G. Youth (Julie Gale) – Activities are scheduled for this summer.
- i. Kayaking.
 - ii. Music Festival in August.
 - iii. Michael James Mette will perform a concert and talk at OLQP on August 28th.
- H. Festival (Julie Gauvreau) –
- i. Kickoff is the weekend of May 7th and 8th. Pickup raffle tickets and sell them.
 - ii. Still need an Advertising/Publicity volunteer.
 - iii. Food
 - i. A shaved ice vendor is still needed.
 - ii. EC is offering two kids each night to work for the popcorn/cotton candy/snow cones concessions.
 - iv. Non-food Vendors
 - i. Marilyn Bahl has sent out contracts and is still contacting other vendors.
 - ii. Decision: Any school group that wants a booth (Spirit wear, clubs, etc.) can have it for no charge.
 - iii. EC is interested in having a booth.
 - v. Fireworks
 - i. Rain date is Sunday, August 7th.
 - ii. Drawings will need to begin no later than 9 pm in order to finish by dark for fireworks. We will determine start time when basket raffle is set (depends on number of baskets).
 - vi. Rides



- i. We may get extra rides if vendor is not working the Spanish Festival. Currently we have eight. No update as of April 21st meeting.
 - ii. Family night will be Thursday, August 4th. Wrist bands will be \$10 instead of the usual \$14.
 - iii. We will advertise in the Rural Urban Record offering a \$2 off wristband coupon for Friday and Saturday.
 - iv. No info on games yet.
- vii. Kids Games
 - i. Looking for a way to duplicate the Cupcake Game from the Lions Club. Jim Andrews, Patrick Weir, and Bill are working on this task.
 - ii. Library is good to go on the kids' games.
 - iii. Dave Ward will contact St. Jude about borrowing their Putt-Putt game again.
- viii. Teen Games
 - i. Looking for ways to appeal to teens, especially if we can get them to have some booths for free.
 - ii. Joanie Ward will ask Troy DiFranco to head up a Sport Area for teens which will feature the following:
 1. Three-point basketball shoot.
 2. Football tire throw.
 3. Soccer/Hockey Goal Shoot.
 4. Corn hole.
 - iii. EC is very interested in Teen Games.
 - iv. Hamster Balls were cost prohibitive and will not be featured this year.
- ix. Bingo
 - i. OLQP is buying our own Bingo cards this year since we have our own electronic board.
 - ii. Jason Case is researching the pricing for Jim Andrews.
- x. Gambling
 - i. New volunteer (Jim Jenkins) is a Texas Hold-Em Dealer.
 - ii. We are doing it ourselves this year.
 - iii. Texas Hold-Em Tournament will be in the Carpeted Room at 6 pm. Max Jalowiec will provide information to Jim Andrews for the OLQP website and for Face book.
- xi. Beer Garden
 - i. Parish Punch
 - ii. Basket of Cheer – Joanie Ward will ask Sally Logar or Debbie to take care of this.
 - iii. Wheelbarrow of Cheer – Patrick Weir takes care of this.
- xii. Bike Rodeo



- i. Sally will determine if a goodie bag will be offered and if there is anything still needed for it.
 - ii. Debbie offered to bake a goodie for kids participating (coupon in bag for Bake Sale).
 - xiii. Entertainment
 - i. Committee agreed on this year's entertainment:
 - 1. Thursday is Jacob Frish, in the Beer Garden from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm.
 - 2. Friday is the Swizel Stick Band, in the Main Tent from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm.
 - 3. Saturday is John Glock, a DJ from 6 pm to 11 pm.
 - ii. Committee agreed that the following entertainment should be repeated if available:
 - 1. Balloon Guy – 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm Thursday, 6 pm to 8 pm Saturday. Angie Jalowiec will check on this.
 - 2. Bubble Lady – Joanie Ward will contact her.
 - 3. Metroparks – Dave Ward will contact them.
 - xiv. Sponsorships – Sarah Hoover will begin working on this once school is out.
 - xv. Face Painting
 - i. Sarah Hoover will determine if Chad will do it again this year.
 - ii. Need to find others to help out.
 - iii. We need them especially on Family Night. The other two nights would be a bonus.
 - xvi. 5K
 - i. Julie Gauvreau has this all under control. Jim Andrews is to check with Subway for sandwiches and Sarah Hoover will check with the other vendors.
 - ii. Ordering 100 shirts. If we have extra shirts, the walkers will be offered them for a nominal price.
 - xvii. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 19th at 7 pm.
 - I. Parish Organizations
 - iii. Skills Bank (Vicki Simkovich) – Nothing to report.
 - iv. Holy Name (Don Gates) – Nothing to report. Meeting Monday.
 - v. Knights of Columbus (Mark Manning) – Nothing to report.
 - vi. Prayer Shawl (Bernadette Gross) –
 - a. The Prayer Shawl Ministry did a spotlight weekend March 19th -20th to draw new members and raise funds for yarn.
 - b. Three individuals have become new members.
 - c. Many thanks goes to all who supported the Shawl Ministry. A Thank You will appear in the bulletin.



- d. The ministry met on Saturday, April 30th at 10:30 am at the GMPL to discuss summer meetings and future events.
 - e. The group is currently working on shawls as our supply has been depleted.
 - vii. Comfort Caps (Ellen Yacobozzi) - Nothing to report.
 - viii. Ladies Guild (Annette Linden) –
 - a. Our final meeting before breaking for the summer is May 16th, our dinner and election of new officers for the next two years.
 - b. We had a successful Rummage Sale on April 29th and 30th.
 - c. The Roast Beef Dinner on April 3rd did not meet attendance expectations. A scheduling change for next year will be considered.
 - d. We continue to donate money and items for the Haven House.
 - e. Nothing to report on the Bathroom upgrade project. Progress has been slower than expected.
 - ix. Parish Nurse (Bernadette Gross) –
 - a. Blood pressures and blood sugars will be checked Saturday, May 7th, after 4:30 pm mass.
 - b. In July, we will have Lifeline in for testing event.
 - x. Helping Hands (Don Carmichael) – Nothing to report.
- VI. Pastor's Address –
- a. OLQP has decided to hold fewer selling activities from now on.
 - b. The church was full for First Communion Mass.
 - c. Bishop Gries said thank you for the hospitality he was shown by OLQP for the Confirmation Mass.
- VII. Items for June Agenda – the next Faith Sharing leader will be Jim Jaskowiak.

Jim Jaskowiak, Secretary