

MMOC Parish Council Minutes – September 27, 2018

Attendance: Barb Foley, Bill Peters, Amy Kelemen, Luke Kotcher, Carl Cooper, Karen Karr, Dick Roseland, Steve Rothermel, Mary Anne Howe, Melissa Lavallee, Ed Lewandowski, Mary Factor, and Fr. Chuck

1. **Opening Prayer – Karen Karr**
2. **Admin & Finance – Carl Cooper**
 - a. Monthly Financial Report
 - i. Would like to include more parishioner input
 - ii. Football fundraiser was successful
 - iii. Major projects for next year – parking lot, parish phone system, repairs for church doors, lower level faucets
 - b. Emergency Procedures
 - i. Next meeting will present procedures to the council
 - c. Anything else
 - i. 5 year lease is up May 31 for solar panels – need to decide what to do by December (will discuss next meeting)
 - d. ACA (Annual Catholic Appeal)
 - i. We have 30% current participation (anyone who has returned their card whether or not they donate) – we would like to increase this
 - ii. Suggested that we canvas to those who haven't signed (after giving everyone a chance to do it at mass) – or find a better way to increase participation
 - e. Athletic Fields
 - i. We need to find some creative way to use it for youth activities
 1. Youth group could use it for activities
 2. Other ideas will be collected from the parishioners
3. **Athletics – Judy Peckham**
 - a. Protecting God's Children
 - i. Files of those working with children kept in rectory
 - ii. All volunteers who work with children must complete the program and also have a background checks
4. **Christian Formation – Karen Karr**
 - a. Bridge Bread
 - i. Pat Tobin, Karen Karr, and Lori Fick are going to go to visit in the future to check into it and will let us know
 - b. CAPS is ending
5. **Christian Service - Bill Peters**
 - a. Mary Factor presented “Witnessing Whiteness” for hosting sessions at MMOC this Spring
 - i. 10 week book discussion sponsored by the YWCA
 - ii. It would explore the ideas of race and racism in a nonthreatening environment

- iii. Need a minimum of 15 and maximum of 25 people to sign up – thinking morning times (due to space), every other week for 10 sessions
- iv. Facilitators are provided by the YWCA
- v. Lori Fick has attended this previously

6. Evangelization – Steve Rothermel

- a. Will be planning a meeting for the upcoming month

7. Health - Amy Kelemen

- a. CHAD's Coalition Talk– looking toward bring this to MMOC in the Spring
- b. Breast cancer awareness will be this weekend (due to scheduling conflicts)

8. Liturgy – Mary Anne Howe

- a. We still need more hospitality ministers for 11am mass
- b. Ministry Scheduler is working well

9. Social

- a. Pictorial Directory – Sundays in October at MMOC – sign up on sign up genius
- b. BBQ/Auto Show – still need more volunteers

10. Youth – Luke Kotcher

- a. Pro-life trip is coming up (reservation and deposit due by Oct. 7)

11. Fr. Chuck

- a. Has anyone attended either or both of the “Women at the Table: Church in Crisis” presentations? What is your take away?
 - i. Barb gave us an overview of how the meetings went
 - ii. Will try to work with Archbishop Carlson
 - iii. Next meeting is on October 13th
- b. Turning down the volume before Mass
 - i. We will be leaving the lights down lower until mass is ready to begin.
 - ii. Music groups will try to stop rehearsing 10 minutes before mass
 - iii. The chapel will be open
- c. Convocation 2018 – Clergy
 - i. Began 1986 – happens every 4 years
 - ii. 200 clergy have signed up
 - iii. October 8-12
 - iv. Fr. Chuck will attend
- d. We need to be mindful for when changes need to be made RE an event, an organization, etc.
- e. Folks stepped forward for help with the concession stand when Fr. Chuck made the appeal.
- f. There was a request mailed out for parishioners to update all contact information – please make sure to fill this out and return ASAP

12. Vice-Chair – Dick Roseland

- a. There was talk about starting a toddler group during PSR evenings
- b. The Parish Council Christmas Party will be December 29th – 6:30 on

13. Other

- a. November Meeting (supposed to be 4th Thursday, that's Thanksgiving) will be November 29th
- b. No December Meeting – (will have the Christmas Party instead)

14. Closing Prayer – Pat Tobin

Next meeting – October 25, 2018 – 7:00 PM

- Opening prayer: Judy
- Closing Prayer: Dick
- Snacks: Barb