

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 13, 2021

FINAL

ATTENDEES: Michelle Serafin (Chair) Bob Flaherty (Vice Chair), Father Rozman, Rose Baker, Rudy Geisler, Gary Scicchitano, Dave Sheranko, Mary Vukelich, Father Sahd, Bill Alward, Seminarian Andrew Kappenhagen, Deacon Steven Auchey, Ginny Stack, David Schmidt, Jennifer Erskine, Tony Devlin

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Deacon Paruso, Sean Matthews

PARTIAL ATTENDANCE: Issy Stence, Terri Rosenstein

NON -VOTING MEMBERS: Andrew Kappenhagen and Current Recording Secretary, Barbara Talarico

MEETING MANAGEMENT: The meeting was held via ZOOM technology and was conducted by Michelle Serafin with Mary Vukelich serving as co-host. Minutes were taken and will be distributed by Barbara Talarico.

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING PRAYERS/READINGS: Michelle Serafin called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The opening reflection and intercessions were selected by Rose Baker and Terri Rosenstein.

ACTION ITEMS FROM JANUARY MEETING:

Tony Devlin and Mark Rebeck will be meeting to determine what positive changes can be brought about to promote a more Catholic sports culture at Saint Joseph's.

Father Rozman continues to work with our Evangelization Coordinator to develop a more "personal/mentor/companion type approach" to Baptisms and Confirmations.

Lenten Resources have been published on the website and the "Little Black Book" was made available at weekend Masses.

Dave Sheranko presented an in-depth report on the costs and quality of the "love thy neighbor" masks talked about in previous meetings. Samples will soon be arriving, and the Senior Leadership Team will make final determination on this issue.

Clergy/SLT Updates:

At the invitation of Father Martin Kobos, Father Rozman is coordinating a trip for Parish Advisory Council members to Mother Cabrini Parish in Shamokin to tour the grounds and offer "Clean Up" assistance.

There will be a Lenten Virtual Series based on the book "I Heard God Laugh" by Matthew Kelly.

The Knights of Columbus have announced a summer picnic date of July 25, 2021.

Council Members made overwhelming positive comments on how staff is meeting the needs of our parishioners during the pandemic. On the administrative side, the senior leadership team is reviewing the office workflow to determine where improvements unanswered calls, etc. can be made.

The Senior Leadership Team has resumed their six-month planning activities. Four items are being worked on that are not pandemic related.

Five Year Planning Process:

The Advisory Council has resumed their long-term planning activities. The first of the five systems, "Worship" was reprioritized. Goals will be developed based on the top strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that were identified. Five-year planning will continue at subsequent meetings.

New Business:

Effective March 1, 2021 Cumberland County will be receiving \$7.5 million dollars in housing and utility aid. Saint Joseph's will help publicize this at the appropriate time and New Hope Ministries will be available to assist with the application process.

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:14 A.M. Father Rozman led the closing prayer .

Next PAC Meeting Date: March 13, 2021

Upcoming Dates:

- February 27, 2021 – Trip to Shamokin
- Date TBD (next in-person) PAC to sign updated By-Laws.

Topics to be continued at future meetings:

- Catechism – This is Our Faith reading (Mary Vukelich)
- Serving our parishioners without technology
- West Shore Pastor's Study: Budgeting for the needs of all. (2.7% catholic school population versus receiving 30% of income)
- Religious Education Program (This topic must be further reviewed in terms of our mission)

Note:

Parish Advisory Council Meetings will continue via zoom until in-person meetings can resume.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Talarico

"St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us"