

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 3rd, 2019

Time: 6:45 pm Location: SFC

Attendees:

Staff

<input type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Nathan Reesman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Andrew Infanger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Immaculate Conception

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catherine Yekenevicz (Trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kris Deiss (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rafael Vela
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Harold Siercks (Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lloyd Uelmen	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wendy Peters
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jean Franke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Swosinski (Trustee)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kathleen Paul	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Falkner (Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Saint Frances Cabrini

<input type="checkbox"/>	Anne Marie Danaher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Zimbal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lynn Corazzi
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cathy Spies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gregg Jashinsky (Vice Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mary Herdrich (Trustee)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Gugg (Secretary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joe Vespalec	<input type="checkbox"/>	Randy Lucka
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Kohlmann (Trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lisa French (Chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Joint Meeting Topics:

- Opening prayer and approval of minutes
- Faith and Family Fest recap
 - Positive comments on the mass, weather, attendance, family atmosphere
 - Actual attendance and earnings for charity not yet known
- Prep for Fr Nate Return
 - Fr Andrew announced that Fr Nate is back in the US and they plan to meet Saturday
 - Council asked if there was anything needed for prep
 - Fr Andrew reported nothing to do
- Prep for Fall pledge campaigns
 - Only SFC has a campaign, not IC
 - Jan managing the process with OSV
 - "In pew" campaign this week w/ messaging by Fr Nate and lay spokespeople (including Cathy)
- Diocese will be proceeding with their capital campaign
 - Timing tbd, but expect in next 2 years
 - All communication from arch to this point has been informal; listening session held but only with ~20 reps from all of Washington County
 - Money collected split between archdiocese and parish goals at fixed %
 - Arch goals include cathedral renovations, seminary, central city Catholic charity venue
 - Parishes have discretion on use for their portion of \$
- The diocese is asking each parish to conduct a survey on the life of faith
 - Arch using 3rd party consultant; results will be shared back to parishes
 - Delivering 10 minute survey version widespread; small group takes elongated version
- Journey room move decision deferred; looking into multiple new options

Break meeting topics: Immaculate Conception

- o Chair – Kris Deiss
- o Vice-Chair – Mike Falkner
- o Secretary – Harold Siercks

Committee Reports:

- Stewardship & Barton Outreach – Mike Falkner
 - o Met on 9-26 with the Stewardship groups from St. Mary's Immaculate Conception and St. Francis Cabrini to review all of the activities.
 - o Ideas were shared between the Parishes. It was noted that there is not much common activities between the two parishes.
 - o One common activity is a Rummage Sale.
 - o One improvement item noted was to increase sharing of activities in the Bulletins.
- Prayer & Worship – Jean Franke
 - o Met with Fr. Andrew on activities and one focus area is the Altar Servers. Continue to need to recruit more servers. Some improvement was noted after Fr. Nathan's letter on the need for more Lay involvement.
 - o A Mass for the deceased will be held at St. Francis Cabrini on 11-2 and at St. Mary's Immaculate Conception on 11-3.
 - o Some deep scratches and markings have been noted on the pews. Some speculation on what caused them, including pens included in the students materials that are handed out.
 - o There will be a blessing on the Stations Of The Cross installed across from the church. The date is still to be determined. The Eagle Scout did not raise all of the funds required and some discussion on how the funding can be finished including asking for Parish donations. Finance – Whitey Uelmen and Kris Deiss
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 - o No formal report.
 - o Update on the Journey program. A room is being considered in the school, but it needs a bathroom installed. A basement room will not work based on the student needs. Biggest concern is that we do not jeopardize our religious education classes and students. Additional information and a decision should be available for the November meeting.
- Faith Formation – Rafael Vega
 - o CCD enrollment has 16 in Confirmation, 30 High School individuals meeting every Sunday, and a total of 68 in CCD.
 - o All grades will be studying the Bible.
 - o Will be getting Spanish translation material.
 - o Fr. Nathan will give a demonstration on the dress and prepping for a Mass.
- Human Concerns – Harold Siercks
 - o We will have a San Gaspar collection coming up in October.
 - o Fish Fries are scheduled for February 28th and April 24th. The Lenten Fish Fry will have potato pancakes instead of German Potato Salad.
- Cluster Council – Kathleen Paul
 - o No report.
- Pastoral Council to Archdiocese – Wendy Peters
 - o No report.

Breakout meeting topics: Saint Frances Cabrini

- o Chair – Lisa French
- o Vice-Chair – Gregg Jashinsky
- o Secretary – Dave Gugg

- Committee Reports:

General call out that not all PC members have been informed of the meeting schedules for their given committees

- o Stewardship – Gregg Jashinsky
 - See notes on OSV campaign above

- Prayer & Worship – Dave Gugg (Fr. Andrew reported)
 - Brenda getting quotes for possible organ repairs; found \$1.5K vs. \$60K solution
 - Council asked how new split position working; Fr. A pleased that all needs seem to be met but recognizing that % likely 70 (music) /30 (pastoral care) right now

- Finance – Dave Zimbal, Lynn Corazzi
 - September meeting was review of year-end financials
 - Generally showed both revenue and expenses higher than planned
 - Many variances driven from school and Little Saints
 - Mortgage payback continues on schedule; balance ~\$470K
 - Needed to borrow from capital campaign fund but expect payback with cash calendar proceeds
 - October meeting deferred to 15th; will spend extra time on school budget including impact of higher enrollment than originally planned for '19-'20

- Faith Formation – Cathy Spies
 - Last meeting 9/12
 - Enrollment down in all programs (~24 communion, 29 confirmation, 71 rooted)
 - Confirmation program adding back service and retreat requirements

- Human Concerns – Randy Lucka
 - No update

- Cluster Council – Joe Vespalec
 - No update

- School - Anne Marie Danaher (update provided to Dave in absentia)
 - Monthly virtue program started in school and parish
 - Working on handbook revisions
 - Spanish program in 7th and 8th due to staffing
 - Cash calendar exceeded goals

- Pastoral Council to Archdiocese – Gregg Jashinsky
 - Deanery meeting 10/21 at St. Lawrence

- Other / Updates requested on buildings and grounds status
 - School windows finished
 - Boiler installed but not yet functioning
 - Stairs to school in but railing and gravel to come; expect final curb & barriers in before winter

Meeting adjourned 8:10 p.m (new record!)

Next meeting: Thursday November 7th at 6:45 PM at SFC