

## PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 15, 2019

Present:

Pastoral Council: Laura Kolbe, Mary Haugen, Corwin Bryan, Paige Cutter  
Mike Brown, Gary Kirkland, Tim Gray (Knights of Columbus), Sherry Schmidt (Altar Society)

Staff: Father Connall, Sister Sharon, Sister Paschalina, Father Ratuiste,

Absent: Mindy Muglia

**OPENING PRAYER** – Led by Father Connell

### **MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS**

The new members on the Pastoral Council were introduced: Gary Kirkland and Mindy Muglia (absent), Tim Gray, representing the Knights of Columbus, and Sherry Schmidt, representing the Altar Society.

Elections were held for Council officers by affirmation:

Mary Haugen – President

Paige Cutter – Vice-President

Sister Sharon – Secretary

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL CONSTITUTION**

Paige Cutter went through the Constitution and recommended the following updates:

10 members change to 7 plus Knights of Columbus and Altar Society representatives, bring total to 9, not including the Staff.

Reports will be asked from the following in February and October:

Altar Society, Mom's Group, Knights of Columbus, Notre Dame Academy, Religious Education programs and Youth Group, St Bernadette Group, Docents, Principal of Cataldo, Music Director, Homebound Visitation Coordinator.

A short form will be sent out, asking for the goals of the group and how can the Council be helpful to them.

Fiscal Year goes from July 1 to June 30 of the next year.

Suggest that duties of the Pastoral Council be posted on the website and photos the members.

Suggest that the Minutes of the meetings be sent to all the members within a week for their approval and then posted online.

Meetings will be held once a month except June, July, August.

Meeting times set at the September meeting.

Chairman of the Finance Council give the yearly finance report by November 1st.

### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

Our parish is doing very well and we should be able to make our goal. \$19,000 came in the first week.

### **NOTRE DAME UPDATE**

The Board is working hard on the areas of Development, Enrollment, Facility, and Finance. Hopefully for the first year we will have between 40-50 students. In February the first Gala will be held, with Tom Curran as MC.

The diocese has deep ties with Gonzaga Prep – tension has resulted. We are doing some fence-mending and trying to be sensitive to the issue and be peacemakers. We need to explain exactly what Classical Education entails.

### **CAMPAIGN FOR A 2<sup>ND</sup> CENTURY – PART 3**

We need repairs to the church building – tuck-pointing, tower repairs, plexi-glass over stain-glass windows, etc. Part 2 of the Campaign ends Oct. 31. Parishioners will be informed that they can go ahead and continue their offering into Part 3. This will be communicated by bulletin , flocknotes, mailing, especially to new members of the parish.

### **PASTORAL PLAN**

We will revisit Pastoral Plan as a whole – pieces to eliminate, what to focus on, what to incorporate into it. Send a copy of the Pastoral Plan to members before the next meeting.

### **WHAT HAVE YOU**

Some coming events:

Father Connall will do a Mass at Holy Cross Cemetery on Nov. 2

Family Night Adoration – 6-7pm on Nov.8 for vocations

Women’s Retreat – October 22

All Saints Party – Nov. 1 at 6:30pm

Christmas Pageant will be planned again.

Mom’s Group could use some help with child care during meeting.

### **MEETING DATES**

Tuesday, 12:45-200pm

November 19

December 17

January 21  
February 12 (Wednesday)  
March 7  
April 28  
May 19

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

Peter led the discussion on the Annual Financial Report for 2018-2019. The report was good. We are a bit ahead in income: \$1,055,576 budgeted and \$1,076,803 actual income. We are a bit over budget in expenses: \$1,055,576 budgeted but \$1,080,043 spent. For this coming year we have some necessary capital expenses needed: baptismal font, roof needs, bell tower, outside of church painting, possible tuck-pointing. The present Capital Drive ends in October. Possibility of a roll-over amounts pledged for Capital Campaign and re-up for 3 more years. A Council member could speak about this after a Mass. Father Connall gets asked if the parish has needs. He is happy to give suggestions, like one long table for the dining room in the Ribble Center.

Some corrections pointed out in the report: to word differently the “as little as \$1,000” on page 4, page 5 change 2017-2018 to 2018-2019, there are many more counters – use a group picture. page 9 match %s with correct color on graph.

### **O’CONNOR HALL REMAINING**

The idea was brought up to change O’Connor Hall to Notre Dame Academy and to have a memorial case downstairs of the church in the lower level for any O’Connor memorabilia. Perhaps the lower level could be named O’Connor Auditorium. But the thought was Notre Dame Academy may not be located on the Cathedral campus when enrollment grows. So the building will remain O’Connor Hall.

### **INTRODUCITON OF MATTEW POWELL**

Matthew Powell was introduced at the new Head Master for Notre Dame Academy. Matthew comes from Indiana and received his BA from Notre Dame, and a PHD from Marquette University. He taught a Great Books Program which helped me to recognize what education can be – “all voices who have shaped the world.” He became involved with the Chesterton Model which reflected this method. He has taught in it for 20 years. He was married for 55 years and has an 8-year old son. The members of the Council then introduced themselves.

**NEXT MEETING**

October15. 2019, 12:45 pm