

RESURRECTION PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: September 25, 2019		TIME: 5:30-7:00 P.M.		Recorder: Travis Kramer	
OFFICERS		MEMBERS		STAFF	
X	Pastor: Gibbs, Father Phil	X	Berning, Lugene (2022)	X	Houlihan, Brendan (2020)
X	Chair: Mercer, Tom (2020)	X	Callahan, John (2022)	X	Leibfried, Connie (2019)
	Vice-Chair: Noonan, Sara (2020)	X	Funke, Ken (2020, Finance)		Schaefer, Craig (2021)
X	Secretary: Kramer, Travis (2020, App)	X	Hefel, Anne (2021)	X	<i>Denotes present</i>

AGENDA ITEM	ACTIVITY/DISCUSSION	Decision/Action/Conclusion	Who/When?
PRAYER	The meeting opened with prayer by Ken Funke.		
MINUTES	Minutes from the August 28, 2019, meeting were reviewed and approved by consensus.		
OLD BUSINESS	SWOT Analysis / Term Limits – Connie reported that there was a “gasp” from some Social Justice Committee members when Connie talked about term limits; she told the members that they would still be able to be active and involved in Social Justice activities. John and Anne said that they discussed it at the Liturgy Committee meeting and there were some positions that would need to be longer or exempt. There was some discussion about reviewing members each year rather than a firm time limit. Other committees have not yet had a meeting to discuss the issue.		
DISCUSSION TOPICS	YLT – Callie Owens reported that she has told the youth that they no longer need to sit in on our meetings due to schedule conflicts and concerns. She suggested that someone from the council could sit in on YLT meetings. She was asked if that could be a rotating duty and she said she preferred to have one person so as to not break continuity, which can help establish the trust of the students. Anne Hefel volunteered to sit in on the YLT meetings; she will step off the Liturgy Committee as a result.		

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	<p>Callie also spoke about the upcoming evangelization training that council members will undergo. She and Fr. Heathershaw have talked about it and proposed having the training broken up over two meetings rather than one extended meeting. Council members preferred breaking it up over two meetings.</p> <p>SWOT Analysis / Committee Action Plan – Fr. Gibbs reminded the council that there were past discussions about re-evaluating tasks and events assigned to each committee; where do these activities fit best.</p> <p>Festival Review – Travis reviewed results of the festival, speaking specifically about the sponsorship, the car raffle, the midway (games, booths, amusements, etc.), the meal, and silent auction. Although the numbers are not finalized yet, this year’s festival is projected to have a profit of about \$136,000.00, besting the previous record of \$110,549.00 (2017). Travis noted that this year’s wrap-up meeting will be held September 29 and will be conducted using a SWOT analysis model with a goal of keeping the meeting focus positive.</p> <p>Faith Formation Center – Invested parties are having discussions with the architect as to the design of the space, which is becoming more refined. The final design will influence the types and amounts of materials needed, ultimately influencing the cost. Fr. Gibbs said he is currently seeking out couples for leadership of the capital campaign; one couple has currently agreed. The goal remains to begin work once the current school year ends, with work spanning the entirety of the next school year. Portable classrooms will be used. Fr. Gibbs also noted that discussions have also taken place regarding the kitchen and the size of the multipurpose room, to ensure adequate space and equipment is available to serve additional students expected due to the increased early childhood offerings. Lugene noted that possible changes proposed by Holy Family (closing one or two elementary schools) would become effective next school year, with the possibility that some students may transfer to Resurrection.</p>		

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	<p>October Right to Life Month – This October will have a Right to Life focus rather than the traditional stewardship focus. Frank and Sheila Ward are spearheading the planning. Topics include birth, end of life, prisoners/capital punishment, and the poor. There will be guest speakers after the 11:00 mass each weekend.</p> <p>Saturday morning 9:00 masses honoring the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be held. There was also discussion about celebrating parishioners with birthdays each month (age 60 and older).</p>		
COMMITTEE REPORTS	None.		
PASTOR'S REPORT	<p>Assessment Survey – The archdiocese sent out surveys to pastors, pastoral council chairs, finance council chairs, school board chairs, and school administrators that collected thoughts and feelings about how the respective schools/systems are funded. The archdiocese is aware of the hardship that assessments are placing on parishes and options are being explored to help relieve that burden.</p> <p>Staff Duties – Fr. Gibbs said that discussions have taken place regarding duties and tasks completed by staff members. Mary Jo will assume coordination of the bulletin from Gail, while Gail will assume some of the duties formerly covered by Ellen Patch.</p>		
NEW BUSINESS	None.		
PARISHIONER INPUT	<p>Tom reminded everyone about the upcoming Welcome retreats; the women's weekend is October 5-6 and the men's weekend is October 12-13.</p> <p>Connie emailed Tom about some feedback and a suggestion she received from a parishioner. She suggested that an announcement be</p>		

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	made at some point during the mass—either the beginning or before Communion—providing instructions for people of different faiths, such as inviting them to come forward with crossed arms for a blessing. Tom said he would be passing the request on to the Liturgy Committee. John said that Connie’s email had been also been shared with Amy and that Amy would be putting it on the agenda for next month’s meeting.		
NEXT MEETING	Wednesday, October 23, 2019 5:30 p.m. St. George Room Prayer Leader: Travis Kramer		