

St. John the Evangelist Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
May 14, 2019
6:30-8:00

Meeting called to order 6:30PM

Agenda:

Attendees: April McDonald, Deacon Jack Wilson, Father Benardin, Kellie Willey, Linda Gospeneditch, Marianne Atwood, Richard Terranova, Sean Oliver, Sister Hannah Mary, Tom Ennis

1) Opening Prayer

2) Review mission statement proposals - Fr. Benardin requested that the Mission Statement remain unchanged for now but might be revised in the future. Fr would like it to be limited to a few sentences. It was suggested to use the proposed Mission Statement as a preamble to the By-Laws as our vision, followed by discussion.

Motion was made by April to keep the current Mission Statement and use the proposed Mission Statement as a preamble to the By-Laws, Seconded by Tom, Vote was taken, Motion Carried

3) Review By-laws - Modifications were discussed and agreed upon. Keith and Marianne to make changes and email changes to Council within 2 weeks.

4) Other business

- A. Mrs. Gifford is retiring from SJE School after 40 years. April stated that SJE School would like to purchase a plaque and place it in the Tralee Center in Mrs. Gifford's honor. Fr. Bernardin approved.
- B. Thoughts on Lent Retreat - Discussion on Mary's Mantle Book & Talks. Overall Retreat was well received. Suggestions to have small group discussions after larger Talks/Presentations. Council to look for more opportunities and plan future Retreats.
- C. Thoughts on Easter Triduum & Easter Services - Comments on how beautiful the services were. Concern was expressed about low attendance to the Easter Vigil. Discussion on ways to increase attendance in the future.
- D. Pastoral Plan - Suggestion to create a calendar/plan to prepare for future events.
- E. Stewardship Appeal 6/1 & 6/2 - Discussion on having a Ministry Fair. After discussion it was decided there was not enough time to plan. Council agreed to consider scheduling it in the Fall.
- F. Ministry List/Contact/Explanation/Inside & outside Parish - Discussion on creating a Handout/Flyer listing all SJE Ministries. Linda to email existing book to Tom. Members to let

Tom know if they have any information on a particular ministry. Tom will assign contacts to Council Members to follow up with.

G. Officers appointed at April Meeting:

Tom Ennis- Council Chair
April McDonald - Vice Chair
Kellie Willey - Secretary

H. Other:

Suggestion: Have a Town Hall in the Fall

Upcoming event - June 28th Patrick Madrid will be at St. Joseph in Lincoln

Suggestion: Create a Ladies Guild

4) Closing Prayer

Meeting Adjourned 8:07PM