

Parish Council Minutes August 21, 2017

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. by Ryan Wilson in the Conference Room. Nicole Reisner led the opening prayer. Present were Fr. Mike, Ryan Wilson, Sue Ford, Chuck LoGiudice, Brian Seals, Nicole Reisner, Joyce Webb, Connor Lillis, Ken Werner, Mark Kane, Shannon Carroll, Sheila Henson, Kylee Gehl, Audrey Honzel.

The July Minutes were approved.

The first order of business was the Discernment of Standing Committee Members. Standing Committee members are as follows:

- Administration and Planning Liaison– Chuck LoGiudice and Brian Seals
- Adult Faith Formation Liaison – Jon McAvoy & Sheila Henson
- Prayerful Service Groups Liaison – Mark Kane & Kylee Gehl
- Youth Faith Formation Liaison – Nicole Reisner & Connor Lillis

Time frame for Standing Committee Meetings: Should be in October, the 1st or 2nd week, invitations should go out soon. Discussion items for meetings, goals for the year include the following:

- Facebook – use it, how to use it, make it a tool
- Ways to attract people to each group – help is always needed—personal reaching out—how important it is to “grow your group”.
- Committee of the Month
- To-Do -wardship Board – keep it up
- Internal advertising – A Board of Information

Reminded Standing Committees that they are to take notes at the meetings; and again suggested a standard agenda; Brian will send out sample from last year.

Winterfest – Dave and A.J. will be back for discussion at our next meeting/ they have already had an open meeting for new ideas. Suggest activities for teens and young adults. Think about before next meeting.

Fr. Mike's current items of interest:

- ✗ Finance Committee –
 - ✗ have \$65,000 pledged to ADA; need right under \$75,000.
 - ✗ SM School has 76 families, 101 students 2017/2018 school year; last year had 74 families and 106 students. There are 20 students in the Kindergarten, includes 14 new families.
 - ✗ Tuition will be a little shortfall from budget plans.
 - ✗ There was a \$93,000 gift to the parish; and funds from this gift will go to the general fund, capital improvement fund, paraclete fund, endowment fund, pantry patrons, parish nurse and about \$53,000 to new bequest/mission fund. Donor did not put restrictions on the gift but did say help for single mothers and for elderly would be a good use of the funds.
- ✗ Reminder: March for Mary in Peoria on Oct. 7 – 100th anniversary of Fatima.
- ✗ September 23 & 24th – Mission appeal- Speaker will be Sister Kim Mis, director of the United Stand Family Counseling Center in Chicago. There will be a potluck after our 5 p.m. Mass on the 23rd. Let Betty Palaski or the office know if you will be attending.
- ✗ We have two men who have applied for the deacon program. We should know around the end

of 2017 if they will be accepted.

Updates:

To DoWardship Board – Jon was absent.

Youth Activity Ideas – Connor & Kylee – had some ideas (tie blankets, bag tournament, looking for ways to help the parish out) and will run them by the High School Youth Ministry group and come back to us with more info.

Facebook – Brian-- Have the group, now have to feed it. Will have to teach people how to go to the Facebook page and post things.

Future Meeting Ideas

WinterFest – Dave & A.J. in September.

Cluster Parish Invitation – ask for representatives to come to our meeting – how can we help each other?

Deacon Invitation – Possible discussion on vibrancy/Parish Mission ideas – probably in Jan.

FYI – Sister Parish is breaking ground on Sept. 2.

Follow-Up required – Everyone – WinterFest ideas/Vibrancy Ideas/Set up Standing Committee meetings.

Next Meeting – September 26 (Tues)

October 24 (Tues)

November 21 (Tues) – Cluster Parishes

Items from Council – Is it possible to have an area in the main church for those now currently in the Daily Chapel on Saturdays and Sundays? Is the issue Eucharist (because our Eucharistic Ministers bring Eucharist back to all in the back who want it, not just those in the daily chapel); or is it an issue of balance and wheel chairs, or what? Talked about the possibility of taking a survey of those people using that chapel and seeing what or if we can do anything for them. Think about it.

Liturgist at next meeting – Sue

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Audrey Honzel, recording secretary.

These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting.