

Minutes of Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

March 19, 2015

Parish Council: Fr. Robert Cole, Deacon Thomas Daw, Tracy Leverknight, Connie Loflin, Maria Mutnansky, Jack Secrist, Carroll Wilhelm
Kathy Gulish (secretary)

Absent: Chad Grude, Carrie Kubicki, Cindy Sanders
Father Cole led the formation prayer at the beginning of the meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes from the February meeting were approved as submitted.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

- a. Update on sale of rectory and new building

At this point, it is still in the hands of the Diocesan office. They are actively working on the contracts. There are still a number of small steps that need to be completed, such as setting up an appointment with the Planning Commission and securing the building permits. Many of these steps are sequential – we can't do the building permit until the contracts are drawn up, etc. – so it will just take a little time.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Discussion of the book Rebuilt

Council will meet on April 9 at 7:00 in the education building to discuss the book. Council members are asked to select topics from the book that are of interest for discussion.

- b. Election process

We will continue to work on amending the election process once the committee members have had an opportunity to meet.

- c. Stations of the Cross

Parish Council will do the Stations of the Cross on March 20th. Council members were asked to be there at 7:15 to organize.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Rosaries

LIFT would like to start a mission to make rosaries to give to missions that request them; they can also make ones for the military. Dolores Bean talked about making the rosaries, and Tracy showed Council an order form for the beads and supplies. They asked for funds to order materials to start this mission. Father Cole approved the project.

- b. Pilgrimage

Carrol asked if anyone would be interested in a trip to Cleveland to visit the Cathedral and any other churches that Father might select to visit. Father Cole would lead the tour, but he commented that often these churches have someone who can show groups around and give their history. Carrol had gotten information on renting a bus and said that it would be approximately \$25 per person (if we had a group of 30-35 people). Father suggested visiting 3 or 4 churches, with a planned stop for lunch.

- c. Ministries commitment sheet

Carrol brought an example of a ministries commitment sheet from her son's parish in Michigan. She suggested that this might be something we could adapt for our use in conjunction with the ministries pamphlet. The commitment sheet asks people to commit to a particular ministry for a set time period, such as one year. Carrol suggested that this might be something we could use the next time we have a ministries fair. Jack proposed setting up a table with the ministries pamphlets at the parish picnic. We will brainstorm other ideas and continue this discussion at our next meeting.

d. Parish picnic

The annual parish picnic will be June 28th. Tracy has revised the instructions for the picnic. Father commented that if construction is progressing at that time, the usual outdoor Mass may have to be held indoors this year. The site of the picnic will most likely have to be moved since the pavilion has currently been dismantled. It was suggested that tables could perhaps be put under the trees on the east side of the education building. We could then give the option of eating outdoors or in the hall, with the air conditioning, if some preferred. There was discussion of some of the positive aspects of moving the picnic nearer to the education building and to the hall.

COMMISSION REPORTS:

1. Finance: (Fr. Cole)

Finance Council normally meets every 3 months, based on need.

2. IHN: (Connie)

There is no report at this time.

3. PSR: (Chad)

Anne Linden will do a chili to represent PSR in the Chili Cook-off. Carrol inquired if we give Bibles and YOUCATs to our older young people. There was some discussion that we used to do so, but no one was sure if they still receive them and at what age.

4. Peace and Justice Committee: (Jack)

There is no report at this time.

5. Social Programming: (Maria)

The fish fries are scheduled for March 20th and 27th. They may be looking ahead to having occasional Monday night dinners also, perhaps spaghetti or fried chicken.

6. Spiritual Life: (Chad)

There is no report at this time.

7. Sunshine Committee: (Jack)

Nine cards were sent out this month.

8. Youth Group: (Carrie)

Youth group will meet after Mass on March 22.

The next meeting of Parish Pastoral Council will be April 16 at 7:00 pm in the education building.