

St. Sebastian Pastoral Council

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 3/7/2016

Time: 07:43PM – 09:05PM

Location: St. Sebastian

Members Present: Eunice Frieseke, Joan Arnett, Laura Abing, Del Slowik, Judy Ballard, Carole Poth, Tom Jozwik, Michelle Hansen, Stephen Dodridge, Margarete Wiemer, Jim Ewig

Members Excused: Turquoise Lorea, Jen Ohlendorf

Members Absent:

Roles: Leader: Del Slowik

Recorder: Jim Ewig

<u>ISSUE/TOPIC</u>	<u>DISCUSSION / ACTION PLAN</u>	<u>PROGRESS / FOLLOW-UP</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Closed</u>
Opening Prayer	The opening prayer was deferred.			X
Review/approval of minutes	7:45PM – Eunice motioned to approve the February minutes, and Laura seconded the motion. There were no abstentions.			X
Pastor/Cluster Administrator reports	<p>7:50PM Carole reported on the following:</p> <p>Stewardship Assessment – The date of the Stewardship meeting will be Wednesday April 6th. Barb Vite will attend. Barb will describe the responsibilities of the committee and its members. In preparation for the meeting, Carole asked each council member to consider 2-3 parishioners for the committee and invite them to the meeting. The council should forward candidate names and email addresses (only if they say yes) to Carole by March 23rd. Prior to the meeting, the attendees will be sent a handout describing stewardship. Barb stated that at least 20 potential members will be needed in order to have a successful meeting.</p> <p>One to two days following the meeting, the potential candidates will be called to see if they will consider serving.</p> <p>Carole also asked the council to consider moving the Communication Committee under the Stewardship Committee or to possibly make it co-committee with Stewardship.</p>		x	
Committee Reports	8:15p			
Communications	Laura reported that the Communication Committee is defunct. Michelle encouraged Laura to attend the Stewardship meetings going forward.			x
School	Stephen reported that he wasn't able to attend the February meeting and had not yet received minutes from the committee chair. Father Larry did pulpit announcements regarding the new Choice formula at the Masses last Sunday.			x
Faith Formation	Jen was not present. No minutes were available. Margaret stated Joann Stasiewicz will be the committee chair going forward.			x
Human Concerns	Judy reported that the farmer's market appeared to be a success. The final numbers were not available at the time of this meeting. Margaret added that there were a number of new			x

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	<p>vendors. There were also many parishioners from other parishes present. Judy asked the council to recognize Rhonda Van Pembroke and the work she did with a gratitude card.</p> <p>The Tri-parish mission was also discussed. We discussed how to coordinate donated refreshment items and get them to MGC. Stephen asked that donators simply call him. Pastries will be needed for AM sessions and cheese platters, cookie platters, etc., will be needed for the evening sessions.</p>			
Prayer & Worship	<p>Tom reported that the committee met jointly with St. Catherine. The major topic revolved around scheduling joint services. The strategic planning sheet, which Carole handed out during the last council meeting was discussed. It was announced that there will not be a foreign choir coming to St. Sebastian this year. Del asked if we can incorporate the native language of the choir into the future service they attend in the future.</p> <p>There are no adults attending confirmation or baptism classes this season.</p> <p>Michelle reported that she has received feedback regarding having a wider variety of hymns at the Masses.</p>			x
Stewardship	Carole spoke to this earlier in the meeting.			x
Strategic Planning	<p>Eunice discussed at the start of this meeting.</p> <p>Margaret stated that the folks who volunteered to help with photos should be invited to the April Stewardship meeting. She will get the volunteer names and distribute them to the council.</p>			x
Old Business (8:30p)				
Discernments	<p>Discernments – Del stated Jen has yet to decide whether to continue on the council. He also petitioned the council to continue to recruit Pastoral Council candidates.</p> <p>Due to the structure of the Finance Council, Jim Ewig may have to step down from that council. There is an option for Jim to remain as a Pastor appointment of Fr. Larry.</p> <p>Margaret asked Del for the status of the youth representative. Del stated he contacted Turquoise for a list of candidates. He will also check with Barb Haig, who teaches high school faith formation.</p>		x	
New Business (8:40p)				
	Joan is fully recovered and back on both Pastoral and Finance Councils			x
Closing Prayer	9pm			