

St. Sebastian Pastoral Council

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 5/5/2016

Time: 20:10PM – 21:35

Location: St. Catherine

Members Present: Tom Jozwik, Judy Ballard, Margaret Wiemer, Stephen Dodridge, Eunice Frieseke, Laura Abing, Del Slowik, Jen Ohlendorf, Michelle Hansen, Fr. Larry Chapman, Carole Poth, Jim Ewig

Members Excused: Turquoise Welch, Joan Arnett

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	The opening prayer was deferred			X
Review/approval of minutes	20:12pm Tom motioned to approve the April minutes with corrections, and Margaret seconded the motion. There were no abstentions.			X
Pastor/Cluster Administrator reports	<p>20:15pm Carole reported on the following:</p> <p>Seton Schools principal coach Lannie Dietrich was asked to attend Paul Hohl's replacement search committee meeting held at St Sebastian. Fr Larry stated her involvement is purely based upon accessing her experience. She is not giving direction on behalf of Seton schools and will not have a final say in choosing the new principal.</p> <p>Tom Maurice recently passed away. Money was gifted on his behalf for use in purchasing benches for the new reflection area.</p> <p>Carole distributed the Governance and Administration handout. She reviewed the handout and asked the council to consider which descriptors were pertinent to the council duties. The handout was composed of two sections. For Parish Council/Committee Section, the Council chose descriptors A and D, E. For the Parish Planning section descriptors A, C and E were chosen. Carole then asked the Council to be prepared to speak to the selected descriptors of the handout at the next Council meeting.</p> <p>Fr Larry reported that Principal Hohl will be recognized at the 10:30 mass on May 22, there will be a reception to follow. Both the school and parish will recognize him during this event. Michelle added that Principal Hohl will also be recognized on Wednesday, May 25 at the 08:30 all school mass. There will also be a reception to follow that mass.</p> <p>Fr. Andre will continue to participate in St. Sebastian Masses. The council discussed potential back up plans if a priest is not able to attend Mass on short notice.</p>		X	
Committee Reports	20:48p			

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School	Stephen reported that the teachers wanted input in choosing the next principal. Paul Hohl had met with the teachers to discuss this. Two teachers are now on the search committee and will act as representatives for the teaching staff.			x
Faith Formation	Jen reported we are near an emergency situation due to lack of resources/catechists at the elementary school level. This staffing shortfall is impacting satisfaction with the program; as a result, families are looking elsewhere to have their children confirmed. Catechists will need to be recruited.			x
Finance Council	Due to time, the council chose to table the remaining reports			x
Human Concerns				
Prayer & Worship				
Stewardship				
Strategic Planning				
Old Business (7:20p)				
Discernments	Discernment for potential new council members is scheduled for Sunday, May 22, after 10AM cluster Mass. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One youth representative, Andrew Zeidler, approached Del about joining the council. • Del, Judy and Margaret reported that they have been contacting potential Adult Candidates for the one position open on the Pastoral Council. 		x	
Stewardship Workshop				
New Business (21:20p)				
Joint Meeting	Eunice asked to put to a vote that we meet jointly only every-other-month. The results were for our councils to meet every other month. Jen motioned to approve, and Laura seconded the motion. These results will be shared with Fr Larry. Eunice asked that the Faith Formation committees from our three parishes work jointly on next year's mission.		x	
CSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deland Rhonda VanPembrook received comments from a farmer participating in Market Day. Rhonda was to draft a letter to be used for Stewardship purposes and possibly placed in the Highlighter. 		x	
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michelle reported that Tom Jozwik had written an article published in a recent edition of the <i>Catholic Herald</i>. 		x	
Closing Prayer	9pm Eunice presented the prayer			x