

St. Sebastian Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/06/2017

Time: 7:09PM to 09:50PM

Location: St. Catherine's

Members Present: Laura Abing, Stephen Dodridge, Eunice Frieseke, Michelle Hansen, Cathleen Hoffman, Tom Jozwik, Jennifer Ohlendorf, Del Slowik, Margaret Wiemer, Andrew Zeidler

Members Excused: Maricollette Walsh, Turquoise Welch

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	7:09 – Tom led the Council in singing the opening prayer.			X
Committee Reports 7:15PM				
Faith Formation	Cathleen met with the Faith Formation Committee and reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The post-Baptism packets were sent in late January. The packets are designed to assist with the child's faith journey up to kindergarten. b. There will be two Lenten reflection sessions held at St. Catherine on March 4th and March 11th. c. The group discussed the possibility of having a "teaching Mass" at which the pastor would explain central points of the Mass as they occur. 			X
Finance Council	Michelle reported that Tom Mrotek made a detailed presentation on the correlation between the host count and offertory participation. Laura asked that the Building and Grounds projects list be made more visible to the parish. This would include scope and dollars.			X
Human Concerns	Jen reported the meeting centered on plans for the upcoming farmers' market. She discussed some of the benefits that the farmers are provided via the market. The possibility of becoming a sanctuary church also was discussed. No definitive recommendation or outcome came from the conversation.			X
Prayer & Worship	Tom reported there was no committee meeting held in February.			X
School	Stephen reported that the committee discussed its budget. Among other things, the budget will include small salary increases for teachers. Fr. Larry confirmed that the Archdiocese has decided that parish schools join the Seton Network.			X
Stewardship	<p>Laura reported that St. Sebastian will participate in the next Very Important Parishes event to be held on November 11 from 10AM to 4PM. We are one of several parishes invited to be part of the event, which offers an opportunity to open our doors to a large and varied audience. Official tours of the church and campus will be held.</p> <p>The committee is considering adding a youth liaison.</p> <p>A proposal has been drafted to secure funds for a "Light the Bell Tower" initiative that Ambrose Dillon and Carole Poth are spearheading. Laura is going to pursue grant prospects and help edit the draft to meet any guidelines of those to which we will submit the</p>			X

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	<p>proposal.</p> <p>A Service Day has been tentatively scheduled for May 6th. The event will be centered around cleaning up the campus, including church and school projects. Many volunteers will be needed. This event offers an opportunity for teens to fill their service hour obligations.</p>			
Strategic Planning	Eunice reported that the parish motto was discussed and options were considered. The MissionInsite program was also discussed.			X
Old Business (7:35PM)				
Council Vacancy	Due to time constraints, a discussion on the upcoming Council vacancies was deferred until the next Council meeting.		X	
Welcome Project				
Recess to Joint Council (7:45PM)				
Review/approval of minutes	Jen moved to approve the February minutes as previously edited. This was seconded by Laura. There were no abstentions.			X
Pastor/Cluster Administrator reports	<p>Fr. Larry gave a complete report to the Joint Council. Details can be found in those minutes.</p> <p>Carole reported a caucus will be formed that includes Council, staff and strategic and committee chairs. The caucus will consider and form strategic goals for the parish. A June meeting date is being considered.</p>			X
Trustee Report				
New Business (8:20PM)				
Adjourn	<p>Tom presented the closing prayer to the Council.</p> <p>The next Pastoral Council meeting will be held at St. Sebastian on April 3rd at 7p.m.</p>			X