

# St. Sebastian Pastoral Council

## MEETING Final Minutes

Date: 5/01/2017

Time: 8:05PM

Location: St. Catherine

Members Present: Laura Abing, Father Larry Chapman, Stephen Dodridge, Eunice Frieseke, Michelle Hansen, Cathleen Hoffman, Turquoise Loera, Margaret Wiemer, Carole Poth, Andrew Zeidler, Del Slowik, Jim Ewig, Maricolette Walsh, Guest: Lori Larch

Members Excused: Tom Jozwik, 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	7:05pm Call to Order			
Review/approval of minutes	Laura moved to approve the April minutes as previously edited. Maricolette seconded the motion. There were no abstentions.			X
<b>Pastor/Cluster Administrator reports</b>	Carole – Deferred to Laura and Eunice to provide updates during their committee reports.			
<b>Committee Reports</b>				
Faith Formation	Cathleen stated preparations for a women's retreat are being made by an organization named First Roots. The retreat will be named Gear Up for God and will be held on October 12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup> . The retreat may include sessions such as yoga, prayer classes, stations of the cross, and other options not yet named. As the event is expected to draw young mothers, child care will be provided. Committee believes 60 attendees will be needed to break even.  Vacation Bible School will start the week after St. Sebastian school lets out.			X
Finance Council	Maricolette reported that an abbreviated meeting was held in April. Our parish cash position continues to remain good. Our estimated surplus at the end of the year has declined but may change when the final numbers are calculated.  The Finance Council chair, Tim Heeley, proposed to earmark \$25,000 per year in an effort to build our reserve for the many open Building and Grounds projects. This reserve account will not begin until the two large debts are paid off. Any revenue left after the \$25,000 is set aside will go to buildings and grounds for capital projects and repairs.			
Human Concerns	Jen was absent from this meeting. No report was presented.			
Prayer & Worship	Prior to this Council meeting, Tom informed the Council that the Prayer and Worship Committee did not meet in April.			
School	Stephen reported that Joann Perleberg gave a presentation on the financial state of the school. She discussed and explained many budget line items pertaining to the school, and		X	

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	<p>was available for an extended question-answer period.</p> <p>The St. Sebastian School bylaws were drafted in October 2016. The School Committee is looking to the Pastoral Council for feedback. The bylaws will be forwarded to the Pastoral Council for review during the June Council meeting.</p>			
Stewardship	<p>Laura reported that there will be a parish-wide service day held on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. A variety of both internal and external tasks will be available for volunteers to choose from. Laura asked that each Council member attempt to recruit at least 2 volunteers. Food will be served following the cleanup. An opening prayer will kick off the event at 1:00, with actual work beginning at 1:30pm.</p>			
Strategic Planning	<p>Eunice reported that a Caucus will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00pm. The theme will be "A Thriving Community" and will address ways to improve our parish. The committee is hoping for 30 attendees. St Sebastian staff will also be invited to attend. Carole added that 18 people have already committed.</p>			
Trustee Report	<p>Margaret reported her Trustee term is up in June, but volunteered for another term if needed. The Council graciously encouraged Margaret to do so.</p>			
<b>Old Business</b>				
Council Vacancy	<p>Del stated that to date, only one potential candidate exists. Terms for Laura, Stephen, Turquoise, and Tom are all ending this June. Del will also be stepping down as Chair, but will continue to serve on the Council as a Committee liaison.</p>			
<b>New Business</b>				
	<p>Cathleen stated she is recruiting for two volunteers to assist with the 2018 Lenten mission.</p> <p>Andrew, Del and Michelle volunteered to assist with planning this summer's Joint Pastoral Council Retreat.</p> <p>Del stated that the City of Milwaukee has recently notified St. Michael parish that it can no longer conduct its egg roll fund raiser on site. He suggested offering the St. Sebastian school kitchen to St. Michael's parish so it can continue with this fund raising tradition.</p>			
Adjourn	<p>8:55pm The Council closed the meeting by praying the Our Father.</p>			