

February 02, 2015 0 06:35 to 09:00

Attendees: Laura Abing, Del Slowik, Eunice Frieseke, Judy Ballard, Michelle Hansen, Turquoise Welch-Loera, Norm Smaglik, Joan Arnett, Tom Jozwik, Carole Poth, and Jim Ewig

Opening prayer led by Laura

Review of January Minutes – Del motioned to approve minutes with modifications. The motion was seconded by remainder of committee.

Major Points of Committee Reports

Human Concerns

Judy reported

- Meeting was held, but no major points. Judy’s complete report was distributed to Council prior to this meeting

Buildings & Grounds

Jim reported

- Reallocation of existing staff/resource to cover the exit of Herb
- Entrance project moving forward. Working expected to begin over Easter break

Communications

Laura reported

- Barb Haig asked that the council minutes on the post parish website.
- Next meeting yet not scheduled

Education

Steve reported

- Openings on committee coming up and recruiting to fill in process.
- Follow calls from Ed Committee to new families. Overall positive.
- 40 new families at open house. Large increase from past years.

Prayer and Worship

Del reported

- Homilies being recorded by Mike Kaminski. Mike to send these to Barb Haig for posting to the parish webpage.
- Current Music Books are soft copy. Researching moving to hardcopy as possible cost savings effort
- Organ needs to be refurbished

Faith Formation

Jen reported

- No report presented

Finance

Joan/Joann Perleberg reports

- Budgets are due from staff today.

- Looking at participating in “open committee meetings” to allow parishioners to ask questions regarding the committee budgets

Fr Larry's report

- Invitation will be made to parishioners during Eucharist to bring their pyx . This will be done right before the blessings. Fr Larry to write an announcement to make parishioners aware.

Finance Council Discussion

- Del led discussion on the structure of the “appendix” for the Finance Council and Pastoral Council
- Finance Council Membership will consist of 5-7 members. Pastor is included in membership, but not the numbers.
- Some members will be appointed directly by Pastor some by the pastoral council
- Carole will need to participate, but will not be counted toward 5-7.
- There is a need for Joann to participate, but she cannot be a member. Joanne will participate as a “guest”
- Member terms are 2 years – this may be problematic having a pastoral council member move over due to the 3 year term or the pastoral council.
- The Pastoral Council committee rep to finance will be part of the Finance committee.
- Due to the present length of the stay for many of the committee members – there is concern that we'll have to “dismiss” several long term members.

The pastoral council decided on the composition of the Finance Council. Membership will consist of these 5 groups

1. Pastor/Cluster Administrator which does not count toward 5-7
2. Pastoral Council have 2 members
 - a. Liaison to the Finance Committee
 - b. Chair or Vice Chair
3. Pastor Appointment of Finance Experts at 2-3
4. Parish Trustees Both trustees
5. Committees answering to Finance Council
 - a. Education Committee,
 - b. Buildings & Grounds
 - c. Personnel Adhoc

Finance Council will convene for at least 6 meetings annually

Carole led discussion on Parish Forum.

Will be held March 22 at 1pm

Parishioners will be able electronically register

Agenda to consist of

- Opening Prayer
- State of the parish presentation
- Budget summary will be discussed
- If ready, Carole will be able to announce new volunteer database

- Del will have attendees break into small groups. Each group will have a “recorder”. Recorders will act somewhat what like a facilitator.
- Groups will then reconvene to discuss “similar” topics
- Fr Larry finish with a blessing

The Forum participants will take a survey before and after the Forum. The survey results will then be used to assist in future strategic planning

Training for the recorders will be Saturday March 7th at 9-11. There will be an alternate meeting too.

Carole is looking for volunteers to act “recorders” and to coordinate food for forum, etc. Many members of council volunteered

Next Meeting – Monday March 2, 2015 at 18:30 at St Cate’s

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Ewig