

# St. Sebastian Pastoral Council Minutes

Date: Monday, October 02, 2017

Location: St Sebastian

Call to order: 07:13pm

Present: Carole Poth, Lori Larch, Del Slowik, Michelle Hansen, Margaret Weimer, Stephen Ragatz, Dillon Ambrose, Fr Larry Chapman, Edie Schwabe, Andrew Zeidler, Maricolette Walsh, Andrew Zeidler, and Jim Ewig

Excused: Cathleen Hoffman, Jen Ohlendorf

Edie Schwabe was introduced as our newest Pastoral Council member.

## **Review of prior minutes**

Maricolette moved to approve the August minutes with corrections. Lori seconded the motion. There were no abstentions.

Maricolette moved to approve the September minutes. Dillon seconded the motion. There were no abstentions.

## **Committee Reports**

*Faith Formation* – Margaret distributed a pamphlet regarding the First Fruits gathering for women. The Council discussed a number of ways to effectively distribute the pamphlet to the parish.

*Finance Council* – Carole stated there was discussion at the June meeting on how to allocate a potential raise in the state Choice money coming to St Sebastian. One of the ideas was to increase teacher salaries. That idea will be deferred until after the auction.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee had a structural engineer review the wall. A decision will be made by the end of September on whether to repair or replace the wall. The Council felt replace is better than repair. The parish does have money in the reserve to cover the cost.

The school enrollment is currently 331 student.

The pledge campaign that was launched earlier this year will be evaluated to confirm whether people gave what they said they would. The tithing model will be discussed in the future.

Candidate(s) for the new Development position will be interviewed on Monday. The scope of the position's responsibilities has been reduced. The job was just recently reposted.

Rick Majerus was a student at St Sebastian. Dillon suggested that we consider naming the gym after Coach Majerus as a memorial, and pursue the Rick Majerus foundation for funding. Coach Majerus' friends, such as Ulice Payne, may also be able to assist with funding.

Human Concerns – Edie is the new liaison to this committee.

*Prayer and Worship* – Steven reported that a discussion occurred around the calendar for the **Liturgical Formation process for the year**. November will emphasize Church rituals, specifically the topic of funerals. December will focus on movement and prayer. January will concentrate on the Mass itself.

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*School* – Lori reported that the Committee voiced great concern on the wall issue.

There is work being done on updating the parent handbook.

*Stewardship*- Del reported that all St Sebastian volunteers are invited to the appreciation event which will be held on Wednesday October 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00PM to 8:30PM.

A brief discussed ensued on whether the volunteer portal should be plugged and encouraged to be used. Fr Larry voiced this may not be the most appropriate time, as this event is intended to be a “thank you”, not a recruiting effort. Comedy Sportz will be there to provide the entertainment.

*Strategic Planning* – Carole reported the draft is completed, and that she is just working on quantifiable measurements/metrics at this time. This is a multi-year plan.

Trustee Report – Margaret reported that much discussion revolved around the School Foundation.

## **Old Business**

No old business was discussed.

## **New Business**

Dillon will consider changing from his Council membership status from his current “At Large” status to become the Finance Council liaison.

## **Administrator’s Report**

### **Pastor’s Report**

Fr Larry reported that the Prayer and Worship Committee discussed the Mass schedule for the holidays. A “reminder” card emphasizing the next Cluster Mass and holiday Mass schedule will be available to the parish. Several important Mass dates include:

- 4<sup>th</sup> Advent Mass will be held on Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> at 09:00AM. There will be no 08:00AM, 10:30AM, or 06:00PM Mass.
- Christmas Eve Mass will be held on Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> at 04:00PM.
- Christmas Day Mass will be held on Monday December 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30AM.
- New Year’s Eve Mass will be held at 8:00AM and 10:30AM; however, there will be no 6:00PM Mass.
- The New Year’s Day Mass requirement has been dropped according to Canon law. There will still be a New Year’s Mass at St Catherine at 9:00AM.

The Archdiocese has hired “Leadership 360” to evaluate Priests and other leadership staff. This evaluation will start in the upcoming weeks. Fr. Larry has selected "reporters" to act as evaluators. Leadership 360 will contact these reporters by e-mail and request them to complete an evaluation. The evaluations will be kept anonymous and the evaluation results are only shared with the Priest.

Maricolette led the Council in closing prayer.

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## Save the date(s)

- Our next Cluster mass will be on \_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_
- Our next Pastoral Council meeting will be held on December 1st at 7pm at \_\_\_\_\_.
- Retreat Dates are to be determined.
- The Pastoral Council Opening Prayer schedule is

October	Jim
November	Stephen
December	Andrew
January	Del
February	Lori
March	Maricolette
April	Cathleen
May	Eunice
June	Margaret

The meeting adjourned at 09:05pm.