

Minutes for the Holy Family Catholic Community Pastoral Council Meeting

September 16, 2020

Present: Mike Bauer, Nadia Camarena, Chuck Hornung, Mary Ketterhagen, Ruth Piehl, Katy Schuessler, Jim Stewart, Carmen Valenzuela, Mike Vander Sanden, Dan Zeleske, Lori Ludwig, Trisha Zimmerman, Fr. Ryan Pruess

Excused/Absent: Steven Kelnhofer, Jean Schram

Opening Prayer with petitions from council members

Reading of the Holy Family Vision and Mission Statements by all.

Review of minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on August 19, 2020 – Approved with 1 correction of attendance.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. **Commission Liaison Discernment** – Nadia Camarena will join the Christian Formation Commission and Katy Schuessler is discerning.
- B. **Young Adult Representative to Pastoral Council** – Fr. Ryan reported we are still looking for the right candidate.
- C. **Finance Council Representative** – The Pastoral Council can have a liaison to this council if anyone is called to serve in this capacity. No one has come forward at this point.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Financial Update – Steve Hess** – Two members of the financial council reported on the biggest changes from last fiscal year to the current fiscal year, reviewed the actual vs budgeted for 2019-2020, offered an explanation of the merger acquisitions, and shared details of the various types of accounts and their purpose. They offered gratitude to Fr. Ryan for his efforts in the letter campaigns from the spring which was very effective. We were asked to help share the words that funds are available for those in need especially through the Harold Sable Foundation.
- B. **Lead Liaison Commission Reports**
 - **Christian Formation – Lori Ludwig**
 - Working on creating opportunities to help Catholics learn why Catholics believe what they do. Preparing for video series in November and during Lent. Action plans are being created to reach all age groups. Working to increase visibility in the community through a clothing sale.
 - **Human Concerns – Jim Stewart**
 - New meal program on Monday nights at St. Mary's, Fr. Fabian has been working with the Hispanic Community for covid testing and understanding, and currently collecting for a school supply drive.
 - **Stewardship – Mike Bauer**
 - No new news.
 - **Music and Liturgy – Mary Ketterhagen**
 - No new news.

- C. Strategic Plan Discussion** - Overview on traditional role of parish council in monitoring strategic plan. An open discussion was held on how often we should review the strategic plan and the role parish council should play. The conclusion of the discussion was that we would review the strategic plan in line with the director reports and that our role is to be the reporting body overseeing and making connections on a larger scale not possible within each department.
- D. Concerns of the Council** – A new agenda item wherein members of the council are welcome to bring forth anything they are hearing from parishioners.
- Possibly extra chairs at the Holy Family site are to close to the windows.
 - Announcement was done at Our Risen Savior by laity, suggestions going forward is to speak to the priest if you have an announcement.
 - There were concerns about the end of dispensation of the Sunday obligation. Fr. Ryan address and welcomed phone calls to the parish office with questions.

Fr. Ryan gave an update on changes that are coming in October including weekly parish updates through an abbreviated bulletin and servers being reinstated at the Mass. Mass times will remain the same through October and will be reevaluated for November.

CLOSING PRAYER: Led by Jimmy Stewart.

Closing prayer for next meeting: Mike Bauer