

ST. JOSEPH PARISH
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2022
7:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Present: Dustin Auffarth, Cindy Bischoff, Annette Dubas, Denise Ei, Lura Kearns, Cathy Loss, Kelly Lynch, Paul Prodoehl, Sandy Pultro, Betty Svirsko, Jeff Topper, Luis Zepeda

Absent: Jack Cassidy

EX-OFFICIO NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Present: Msgr. Lyons, Fr. Miller, Fr. Rothan,

Absent: Deacon Pichardo, David Staub

I. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING PRAYER

- a. Msgr. Lyons opened the meeting with a prayer. Jeff Topper chaired the meeting. Members attended in person

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- a. A motion to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting was made by Paul Prodoehl and seconded by Betty Svirsko, with a slight correction. The motion passed.

III. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Report of the Nominating Committee
 - i. Tom Ernst has been elected and Connie McNeil and Lauren Rose have been appointed to fill vacancies in the Parish Council.
- b. Synodal process
 - i. The subcommittee has sent their report in a letter to the Diocese.
 - ii. Discussion on how to report back to our parish – Father Rothan will attend a Presbyterial Council shortly in which he hopes to learn how and when the Diocese will share the information gathered.
 - 1. While we wait for official direction, we can continue to make St. Joseph Church a more welcoming place by following suggestions given during last year's survey and this spring's synodal process.
 - 2. Msgr. Lyons will add an insert into the bulletin after the Presbyterial Council.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Hispanic Community – There was a concert featuring Gela, a singer with throat cancer who has been blessed to be able to continue to sing. Quinceañera classes are wrapping up for the year. 13 girls are scheduled to make their quinceañeras.
- b. Parish School – Mr. Staub is leaving to take the principal's position in St. Teresa of Calcutta in McSherrystown. This is his home parish and the school which his own children attend. Students and parents have been notified and the interview process is ongoing.

VI. ROUNDTABLE

- a. Msgr. Lyons distributed an article on a door-to-door ministry that is being emulated by members of our parish. They will visit people who are registered at our church, but who have not attended mass regularly.
- b. Families and individuals will be invited to act as gift bearers once more. There will be 3 crosses in a basket at the back of the church. Those who want to bring up the gifts at the Offertory can indicate their willingness by taking a cross.

- VII. NEXT MEETING June 1 at 6:30 pm at Lura Kearn's home, followed by a social catered by the Tap House.
- VIII. CLOSING PRAYER
 - a. Fr. Miller closed the meeting with a blessing.
- IX. TASKS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS
 - a. Read *Door-to-Door Ministry* by Priscila González de Doran

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Lynch, Recording Secretary