

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH**  
**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**  
**January 10, 2018**  
**7:00 PM**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Present:** John Gindlesberger, Carolyn Fanus, John Jurasic, Stephen Dobyski, Mark McCusker, Pat Bria, Joaquin Dela Torre, Dave Juchno, Tom Scheivert

**Absent:** , Rebecca Rambol, Pam Carta, Paul Seymour,

**EX OFFICIO NON-VOTING MEMBERS**

**Present:** Monsignor James Lyons, Terry Golden, Fr. Ryan Fischer

**Absent:** Fr. Ignacio Palomino

I. Msgr. Lyons opened the meeting with a prayer. John Gindlesberger chaired the meeting.

II. The Minutes of the December 14, 2017 meeting were approved.

Mark McCusker moved that the minutes be approved; Pat Bria seconded the motion.

**III. Old Business**

A. Worship Security

Msgr. Lyons reported that it has been decided that to lock all doors into the church except the main door once Mass has begun would create a number of logistical problems at this time. An Ushers Manual will be needed before instituting such a practice. The Security Team together with the State Troopers will provide Msgr. a security assessment to further clarify this issue. Formation of the security team was revealed to parishioners in the Pastor's Column of the January 7, 2018, bulletin. No feedback was received.

B. Capital Campaign

John Jurasic stated that he understood that the committee had decided to issue a year-end status report to all those who pledged or donated to the campaign by the end of January. Msgr. Lyons will check with Gina and Lura to see where they are on this.

**IV. Committee Reports**

A. Stewardship

Dave Juchno passed around copies of a Directory of Ministries and a Parish Overview booklet that he put together as possible guides to parishioners old and new who were interested in getting more involved in the parish. Discussion followed as to what format would be more appropriate and effective. Some suggestions were to have a condensed Ministry Directory of just the main ministries; to form a subcommittee to organize a mini-ministry fair in the fall; and, to assemble an update of ministry activities in an annual report. Dave then moved that a Ministry Oversight Committee be formed to replace the Stewardship initiative. Tom Scheivert seconded the motion and the Council

voted in favor of forming the committee. Dave volunteered to chair the committee and Carolyn Fanus and Stephen Dobyski agreed to serve on it. Paul Seymour was to be contacted to join them.

**B. Finance Council**

Dave Juchno issued the Summary of Operating Revenue and Expense Report showing that variances were favorable for the month and year to date.

**C. Youth Ministry**

Father Ryan reported that only one individual showed up for the last announced meeting and that it continues to be a challenge to get our youth involved—too many other commitments. The Tayman family is still willing to be involved. Any suggestions on how to get more teen involvement are welcome. The Life Teen high school and Edge Middle School programs were brought up as was the successful St. John Westminster program which had a Youth Mass followed by a social.

**D. Hispanic Community** – Report was distributed and presented by Joaquin Dela Torre.

**E. Evangelization** – No report

**F. HACC**

No report—Board of Directors Meeting set for February 5, 2018.

**V. Round Table**

**A.** Mark McCusker voiced a request from several Eucharistic Ministers that a Deacon be assigned to assist at Mass when Father McNeil is the celebrant. Msgr explained that Fr. McNeil, because of his commitments to other parishes, is not scheduled far enough in advance to coordinate with the Deacons' schedules.

**B.** Terry Golden inquired about the disposition of the Baltimore Street property. The parish is considering the option to separate the property into two parcels—\$350,000 for the school and \$175,000 for the rectory. Minimum required for both properties is \$425,000.

**C.** Stephen Dobyski announced that the missionary group will leave for Mexico on January 23 and asked for our prayers.

**D.** Joaquin Dela Torre reported that there was interest in the Hispanic Community in a 6:30 PM Saturday Evening Mass. Msgr. Lyons said he had no problem with that but that Fr. Ignatio would have to be consulted. Joaquin also inquired about whether the annual Lenten Parish Penance service will be held. Msgr. replied that it would.

**E.** Pat Bria suggested that the Handshake of Peace be made optional during flu season. Msgr. replied that it always is up to the individual whether to shake hands or just nod.

**F.** Carolyn Fanus suggested that hand sanitizer be placed in the Extraordinary Ministers pews to be used immediately prior to distribution of Holy Communion. Msgr. agreed.

**G.** Carolyn also announced that two people are needed to form an Election Nominating Committee. Pat Bria agreed to help but not to chair the committee. John Gindlesberger will contact Becki Rambol and Pam Carta to see if they would be interested. Both Carolyn and Tom Scheivert are leaving the Council in June so a new committee must be organized.

**VI.** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018, at 7 PM in the Admin Center Conference Room.

**VII.** Fr. Ryan closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted.

John Jurasic

Recording Secretary