

ST. JOSEPH PARISH
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2017
7:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Present: Carolyn Fanus, Tom Scheivert, John Gindlesberger, Jim Slee, John Jurasic, Pam Carta, Joaquin Dela Torre, Rebecca Rambol, Martin Durkin, Paul Seymour, Mark McCusker

Absent: Chris Ransier

EX OFFICIO NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Present: Monsignor Lyons, Fr. Ryan Fischer, Dave Juchno

Absent: Mike Pagnanelli, Terry Golden, Fr. Ignacio Palomino

- I. Mgr. Lyons opened the meeting with a prayer. Jim Slee chaired the meeting.
- II. The Minutes of the April 19, 2017 meeting were corrected. Martin Durkin introduced a motion the minutes be approved. John Gindlesberger seconded the motion
- III. Project Updates -
 - A. Building Expansion – Monsignor reported Conewago Contractors have completed their work, however, some outfitting work still needs to be done. The April 30 open house and walk-through was successful and the parishioners that attended were very happy with the project. Dave passed out a list of work yet to be done. Namely - mechanical, carpentry, electrical, and software. Dave and two of his friends are doing some of this work, but need to work around the current school sessions. Dave reported 80 plus people have signed up to help with the move on June 10. All volunteers will be parking at the church and bussed to Baltimore Street due to the size of the parking lot and safety concerns with the trucks and trailers on the small lot. Pam offered to investigate securing the bus and said she and her husband are both school bus drivers and can help with the driving. Small boxes will be moved via a fire-line or human chain process from inside the school to the trucks. Large items will be moved by professional movers the week after the volunteer move is complete. The plan is to then dispose of any remaining items of value by a parish yard sale, metal salvage, and/or on-line sales sites such as Craigslist, depending on the nature of remaining items.
 - B. Capital Campaign – John Jurasic reported the April 30 open house was well attended and we are nearing our \$2 Million goal. It is currently at \$1.8 Million in pledges with another \$0.2M in contractor donations. There was a wrap-up meeting with Gene Musser of Kirby-Smith and the committee will now be handling the campaign until completion of the 3-years. We can, however, call on them in the future if necessary. John said a statement will be mailed in July reminding those who are behind to catch up and suggesting people pay in advance. Gene Musser said we can expect to collect \$400,000. to \$500,000. over the 3-years in the envelopes from people who did not formally pledge but said they will pay as they have finances available. Dave said the project costs will most likely exceed the \$2 Million projection due to multiple change orders and due to technology costs, that were underestimated initially.
- IV. Committee Reports

A. Stewardship – No report.

B. Finance Council –Dave Juchno reported that Year-To-Date (YTD) income is favorable by \$31,000. but YTD Expenses are higher than expected by \$34,000. This leaves a \$3,000. unfavorable figure, which is very good for an overall YTD budget of \$1.5M. Bequeaths from wills was budgeted at \$50,000. and YTD we have received \$77,000. The Finance Committee is working on the 2017/2018 Budget and this should be completed very soon.

C. Youth Ministry - No Report

D. Hispanic Community – Joaquin Della Torre reported the Hispanic Community celebrated a Special Mass for the Divine Mercy Sunday where many images were brought by parishioners to be blessed. The Mass was followed by a reception. The “Quinceanera” classes (a traditional program for 15-year old girls) ended on Sunday with a Mass and reception. Three girls finished the program which was started the beginning of February. The K of C hosted a Cinco de Mayo celebration, which was well attended by both Hispanic and Anglo parishioners. Proceeds from this event will benefit the St. Joseph School Playground. The next Taco sale will be held Sunday, May 21, from 11 AM till 3 PM and proceeds will benefit the St. Joseph School construction. Journey to V Encuentro presentation will be held June 17, 2017 at Saint Francis Parish, Gettysburg.

E. Evangelization – No report.

F. HACC – Dave reported HACC needs transportation this Saturday, May 13, to transport the food donations from the Post Office to HACC’s Carlisle Street office. This is an annual fund raiser by the Postal Service. Also, Community Aid will be having a 50 % off Customer Appreciation Day on Saturday, May 20, to benefit HACC.

V. Round Table –

A. St. Joseph Volunteer Appreciation – It was reported that many people who volunteer did not stand to be acknowledged at the Masses on April 29/30. This was a bit disappointing as we had hoped many would appreciate the acknowledgment.

B. Nominating Committee – Carolyn and Tom reported the in-pew election was very successful with 515 ballots returned. This is most likely the way the election should be held in the future. Those elected were Dave Juchno, Rebecca Rambol, Pat Bria, and Stephen Dobyski. There will be a small social after the June meeting to thank those going off the council and welcoming to the new members.

C. Building Name and Signage - Monsignor said a meeting is being arranged to meet with the firm doing the **St. Joseph School and Education Center** sign that will be placed on the side of the new school addition to arrange its placement.

Changing the sign currently in front of the church to include a reference to the school also on the property along with our new branding logo was discussed. Due to zoning restrictions, this sign can not be larger than current and the concern is that the lettering **St. Joseph Catholic Church and School** would be very small. Monsignor will try to get drawings for our review for next month’s meeting.

New directional signs around the parish campus were requested by a parish family who is willing to pay for this expense. Two estimates were presented – one using Avery High Performance White Paint, the other using 3M Scotch lite 680 Reflective White Paint. The signs would be basically the same size as current. All council members approved of the new signage on the property with use of the reflective paint, enabling the signs to be better seen at night and verification of the directional arrows. (Which was performed by Ron Smith).

D. Council By-Laws – Changes under consideration were explained by Dave. After much discussion, John Jurasic said he will re-write the changes including a person can serve 6 consecutive years rather than the current 3 years. We will revisit this at next month's meeting.

VI. The next meeting will be held June 14, 2017 in the Admin. Center at 7 P.M.

VII. Fr. Fischer closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted.
Carolyn Fanus
Recording Secretary