

# **OLA Pastoral Council**

## **Meeting Minutes**

April 12, 2016

### **I. Attendance:**

Present: Fr. Paul Arinze, Sarah Carter, Deb McCann, Terra Naumowich, John Breiten, Sandy Blevins, Frank McKearn, Bekki Zammuto

Absent: Esperanza Zepeda, John Searle, Rachel Brown

### **II. Call to Order/ Opening Prayer**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm.

### **III. Approval of Agenda**

The meeting agenda was approved.

### **IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes were approved as submitted.

### **V. Approval of Bylaws**

The bylaws were reviewed with changes from the March discussion. Bylaws were approved as submitted.

### **VI. New business**

- **Holy Week Review-** Members offered comments and discussion concerning Holy Week events and attendance.
- **Council Vacancies-** Esperanza will be stepping down from the council. Members are asked to submit names to Fr. Paul and Sarah for possible replacement candidates. Sarah will not serve as Chair next year, but will remain on the council. Members are encouraged to consider filling that role starting in September. If interested, please contact Fr. Paul.

### **VII. On-Going business**

- **Silent Auction/ Parish Fall Event-** Bekki has volunteered to help coordinate Saturday evening event. She will need the support of the entire council. More updates to come.

- **Council Goals-** We have made strides in many of the goals set forth earlier in the year and are looking for the next goals to focus on. The council agrees to focus on outreach to our parish community. Ideas put forth include: more visible ways to alert parishioners who are on various councils, to make sure parishioners know how to volunteer for parish activities. Fr. Paul will check with staff to make sure each person that volunteered during the time and talent weekend has been contacted. Deb will obtain the list of volunteer opportunities with the contact for who leads that group.
- **Commission Reports-** Please forward minutes from each commission to the members of Pastoral council via email as soon as they are available for review prior to monthly meetings.
  - **Social Justice Committee Update-** The Bags of Mercy project was presented at mass last weekend. A reminder will be included in the mass announcements and someone from the committee is encouraged to schedule a time to speak before weekend masses. Deb will check to make sure baskets are appropriately labeled for return of donations, as there was some confusion as to where the items were being gathered.

#### **VIII. Updates-**

- Love Begins Here will be hosted the week of June 13<sup>th</sup>. Gino will be discussing at weekend masses. If there are needs, this group is eager to have the opportunity submitted.
- School Spring Fling is April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please attend if possible.
- Confirmation will be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm at OLA
- Amy Hutson will be stepping down as principal of the school. A search committee will be formed to seek candidates for replacement.

#### **IX. Closing Prayer**

Next meeting May 10, 2016 at 6pm

John Breiten will lead prayer

Submitted by: Terra Naumowich