

Pastoral Council Minutes

Thursday, October 7th, 2017 @ 8:00 p.m.

1. Attendance:

- a. Present: Fr. Mike Resop, Sandy Blevins, Deb McCann, Rachel Braun, Gayle Hotchkiss, Roger Kemman, Amy Jacobson, Deb Burns and Charity Mulenga
- b. Guests: (OLA Staff) Laura Warzecha, Rachel Shepherd, Rob Olsen, Adam Gracyalny with special guest Ellen Joyce
- c. Absent: John Breiten, John Searle, Rosa Maria Laursen (new member)

Opening Prayer

Sunday Gospel Reflection led by Fr. Mike

Approval of Agenda Approved on motion by Gayle/Rachel

Approval of Minutes Approved on motion by Deb/Rachel

Maintenance to Mission

Commissions--We looked at the things that are Maintenance and Mission.

Charts and diagrams for each commission are in progress/process.

The goal is to make a billboard to show flowchart of activities and show maintenance and mission. What are the things parishioners are doing as part of the mission/being a disciple.

Commission Reports

All 30 min

As necessary - Please forward any minutes to the council whenever possible and report only items which require the council's input or action.

- Liturgy Commission
 - Working on comprehensive list
 - New sound system in church has been installed
 - exploring getting a new Crèche
- Education Commission
 - Update on the self-study. We approved a new mission statement: We the Education Commission of OLA parish, guided by the gifts of the Holy Spirit, advise and support our School, Child Care, and Faith Formation Programs, in living as missionary disciples.
 - FF ongoing enrollment, down a little, some families going to St. Thomas because it is on Sundays and does not conflict with sports
 - 7th/8th grade option on Sunday morning going well
 - Confirmation retreat last weekend of October
 - Day Care:
 - upcoming dates

- 10/31: 3K-2 Halloween Parade with special treat
 - 11/21 Thanksgiving Feast
 - 12/19 Birthday Party for Jesus
 - Closed on 11/23, 11/24, 12/25, 12/26
 - Received thank you for helping with Dirty Dash
 - Technology being updated in the building
 - New babies starting
- Parish Life Commission
 - Pictorial Directory: 393 families participated received 1945.00, distributed 1655.00 to St. Vincent DePaul Balance used to pay directory expenses
 - Fall Festival
 - Raised \$44,000 (a little over budget)
 - Mark calendar for Sept. 29/30 2018 next year's Festival date
- Social Justice Commission
 - October is Respect Life month-baby bottle campaign
 - Environment Committee-internal workings
 - Immigration starting series with documentary & discussion, every other Tuesday for 3 more sessions
 - Dismas group received award: International Peace Committee of Rock County from the International Day of Peace Committee.
- Stewardship Commission
 - Did not meet.
 - Working on 10/14 & 10/15 Time and Talent survey.
 - Financial stewardship Pledge weekend will be the 2nd weekend of November.
 - Contacting new members with the new packet filled with info on OLA and community
- Finance Council
 - Budget on track
 - A little above projected giving
 - Recapped the spending
 - Maintenance improvement on campus this summer were over \$76,000
 - Looking at fixing parking lot
 - Cooling systems being studied
 - Inspecting roofs on the campus
 - Bill Flanagan and Dennis Ezdon working with self-study for school.
 - St. Thomas/St. Jude proposal for school students. Thomas request to keep agreement as is, but still working on new goals.
 - Tim McEvettt will chair the newly formed tech committee for the campus

 - Digital signage for the parish is being explored.
 - \$20,000 given in tuition assistance for school

New Business

- New Members

- Deb Burns
- Rosa Maria Laursen
- Cluster meeting October 26th 6:30-8:30pm OLA in Assumption Hall

Prayer, social time, presentation on pastoral activity, social action and faith formation.
Question about collective Mass in the summer between the cluster parishes-needs a volunteer to organize.

On-Going Business

- Fall Festival-Recap

Good of the Parish

Lots of positives about the Fall Festival.

Sound system positively received.

Large baptism for 7 children last weekend, very joy filled.

Next Meeting: November 2 8:00

Opening/Closing Prayer:

Closing Prayer

Fr. Mike