

Parish Council Minutes

May 20, 2019

Members Present : Fr. Pakula, Chuck, Shannon, Joyce, Jennifer, Audrey, Nicole, Sheila, Mike, Andrew, Ken, Mark

Opening Prayer: Jennifer

Minutes: March minutes approved with one correction. Music for SummerFest will be done by Shawn Easton (not Eastman).

Standing Committee Reports:

Prayerful Service Groups – Mike gave reports from the members of that committee. Respect Life/Elizabeth Ministry not met for a few years. Beth Eilers would volunteer, who talk to (Mary G.), do we want to continue? Pastoral Care going well. Have had a few requests for just visits. Should be included under Pastoral Care? Or a separate group from Communion Ministers? Knights of Columbus, Tom said going well. Wonders if KC's are a part of St. Malachy's Church, not a church organization as such, have own insurance, etc. He also has concerns about finding leaders (is an internal problem). Didn't meet with the Liturgy Committee.

Adult Faith Formation Groups – Sheila reported that the committee met last Wednesday. Social Justice reported about the Dedication of St. Theresa's of Kolkata, our sister parish. Also plan on sending back packs to them again. Altar and Rosary Society are responsible for the flowers at the Holy Family Alter in May and October. There are 4 circles in A & R. Volunteer awards this year went to Mary Ann Clifton and Linda Ford. The Welcome Committee is working on the welcome folder. Quilts are being made for veterans and volunteers are needed to tie those quilts. Karen Turner reported that Trees for Haiti was very successful. She thanked the Parish Council for their help with the Giving Tree at Christmas. Dream House is now known as The Farm for Women, and their graduation dinner will be on June 21. Single Parents Group meets at the Middle School. Thursday they will be sponsoring a program on Human Trafficking. They will volunteer to help at SummerFest. Leigh Boorn reported for the Faith Formation Committee. She is interested in evangelizing and is looking at the Alpha Program.

Youth Faith Formation Groups – Jennifer and Andrew reported for this group. Confirmation and First Communion went well. The CCD book does not follow the liturgical year so looking for an different book. CCD is thinking of making a trip to a synagogue. Looking for an Administrative Assistant for paperwork for Youth Ministry. Need help and guidance to make field trips work, insurance issues. Also talked to them about the explanatory mass booklet and it was suggested that books be put in the pews.

Administration and Planning - No activity. Question is where does the Welcome Committee fall. Decided with Admin & Planning.

Finally, all groups are to send summaries to Nicole to put with the minutes.

Parish Council Selection Committee – There were eleven people nominated, 10 agreed to be considered. Will meet on Wednesday. Mark, Brian Seals, Donna Eechaute, and Nicole will discern to select 3.

SummerFest: Chuck reported: Date, Sat. August 24. Tim Boone will help with the Bags Tournament in the afternoon at 2 p.m. Mass early at 4 p.m. Food will be served; Shawn Easton will do music in the evening. Beer and wine will be available in a closed area.

Welcoming Committee: Chuck reported that they are working on the Welcome Booklet. Next meeting is June 2 and will pass our assignments to meet new members. Feedback on introduction at mass. Some positive feedback. Can ushers take a more active part in greeting people?

Explanatory Masses: Feedback – Father wondered about some of the choices of words – what is this all about? Some things are correct, but not as we do them (confusing”), need to tweak it. Small group to meet with Ryan and Deacon Larry. Shannon, Fr., Jennifer, Mark.

Items of Interest: Fr. Mike

1. Strategic Planning Committee. Dc. Robert says will meet on June 11, second Tuesday. Members are Joe DePauw, Mary Pat Tubb, Maggie Mroz, Kathleen Repass, Ryan Wilson.
2. ADA for 2019. Goal \$87,000; pledged \$58,000, 141 donors so far.
3. Social Justice – Doing the Back Pack program for our sister parish again, but this year just collecting money and sending it to them. They are hosting an human trafficking information meeting this Thurs, Ann Mohr will speak as will someone from the police department. Aunt Mary's Storybook Project for incarcerated parents didn't do so well this year, collecting \$836, will add to it and send \$1,000.
4. Vocations Ministry – there is a poster in the Narthex about Brother Nicholas Koenig, a former parishioner, and his vocation.
5. Parents Club – Veteran leadership – Paul & Alisande Rapps, presidents and David and Margo Hone, v-p. It was a very successful car party, earned around \$70,000. Can't always expect that much and they are budgeting \$55,000 from the car party next year and tightening their budget.
6. Tuition review committee – have a 5 year goal, not raise tuition this year. Will look at during the year and decide, Paul Rapps, Leslee Hager, Nicholas Emmerson, Heather Franque and Fr. Mike.

Items from Council: Nicole brought up the congestion at pick-up of CCD students after class. She will e-mail Erin about it.

Future Meeting Ideas:

Yearly Report Status – are we interested in continuing this? Chuck Snyder did it, do we want to continue? All information in on the web site. All were good with not continuing.

New members in July; discern officers.

Future Meetings: Monday, June 17 at 7 p.m. ; July 15 at 7 p.m.

Liturgist for Next Meeting: Nicole

Closing Prayer – Jennifer

Submitted by Audrey Honzel, recording secretary.

Minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting.