

Saint Malachy Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 22nd, 2022

Members Present: Fr. Daniel Gifford (Pastor), Theresa Walck (Chair), Becky Werner (Secretary), Robert O'Rourke (Ex Officio), Mark Kane, Julie Atwell (Trustee), Kevin Lillis, Sheila Henson, Brice Maertens, Isabel Anderson, Jim Ries

Opening Prayer: Theresa Walck led the Council in prayer to open the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: June 2022 Minutes were emailed for review to the Council prior to the meeting. Corrections made to spelling of names. Father Gifford motioned of approval and Mark Kane seconded the motion. All affirmed and the minutes were so approved.

Introductions for new parish council members

Items of Interest from Fr. Gifford:

- Weekend Activities Fair
 - Goal #1 parishioners new and old to see ways to grow in friendship with each other and Jesus
 - Goal #2 groups to receive new members along with fellowship
 - Be inviting and a positive presence
 - There will be no Parish Council table – limit to groups recruiting members
 - Good idea to send an email to parish as reminder
 - Will have refreshments and the foosball table out
 - Punch cards will be handed out to visit the tables and be eligible to win a gift card
 - Theresa with art students have created some of the table posters along with prayer cards for Ukraine
 - Kay doing a great job at organizing
 - Goal #3 fall launch weekend for school, CCD, youth group, adult bible studies
 - Servers back at daily mass with school starting
- Adore is returning with a new time – once a month at the first Wednesday 7:30pm
 - Adoration with teens during Oasis time – anyone can join the teens
- Totus Tuus cannot get a set date any time earlier
 - Very successful and was the biggest group this team had all summer
 - Will request for an earlier date in the summer
- Bishop looking into parishes
 - “Growing disciples” is a process they are continuing to get to know diocese
 - Pastoral planning process is the current status
 - Can find the link on the churches website that has explanation and timeline
 - At end of 2022 will get information gathered
 - Then begin discernment to possible solutions to use resources
 - Driving network of parish and school to grow disciples – not just maintaining
 - Bishop aware of previous clusters that were created and looking into current situation if best plan
- Two teen parishioners have been reached out to about Parish Council and waiting on response

Items from Council

Old Business:

- Fall Activities Fair – discussed above
- Review by-laws – For next month meeting in September, each member review Article 1 to discuss
- Parish Council Retreat – Brainstorm and come up with ideas to discuss at next month meeting in September. Possible get together instead of a monthly council meeting or next summer. Bridge out to other groups and/or leaders. Pray and discern.

New Business

- Summerfest- Jim Ries attending with outcome for the 3rd annual Summerfest.
 - This is not a fundraising event for the parish but did make a positive \$557
 - Goal to get parishioners, especially younger out and mingle with one another
 - Have bridged out to other groups to assist
 - Knight of Columbus and Youth ministry had assisted with food/drinks
 - Food truck did back out last minute and was able to cook hot dogs instead
 - Bingo was a big success again – think of this as an option throughout the year
 - Bags had low turnout – realized a lot of parents had to keep eye on kids
 - Dunk tank was a success but need more adult supervision
 - City changed ordinance and able to walk around not needing a beer garden
 - Inflatables was a big hit and was a donation – next year could be about \$2000 - \$2500 in cost if bring back
 - How to get more help and support?
 - Plan ahead, there was a scramble to get insurance
 - Get a group – possible subcommittee of the Parish Council where this originated in the Spring to begin organizing
 - More promotion time leading up to date of August 12, 2023
 - Pray and discern if begin asking for donations from parish to assist and put it on
- Coffee and Donuts
 - 3rd weekend of the month after Sunday masses
 - October – parents club will be hosting
 - November – Parish Council hosting – discuss in October meeting
 - January – parents club hosting
 - February – welcome committee hosting
- Stay and play will be the 2nd weekend of the month after Sunday 10:30 mass
 - September – lines up with the Altar and Rosary speaker
- Parish Social dates – give parishioners options to get together outside of mass and bible study times
 - October 1 will be with Sara Osborn family opening their home for a get together after 5pm mass
 - February 4th – snack and games
 - April 15th – Divine mercy weekend activity

- May 27th – Pentecost bonfire
- Pray and discern on ideas to open up ways for singles to meet – social events
- Winterfest – in the past was an event either in January or February
 - Discuss at next meeting

Parish Renewal Formed – Chapter 12

- Cast the vision – aspect of interior vision
 - Leaders ask why does the church exist while letting God show the vision
 - Leaders see the needs to be met
- Convicted about renewal – do our hearts burn to see people encounter with Jesus?
- Reflection of own encounter with Jesus then can evangelize others
- There is the gift of love where we want to see others happy
 - Why withhold this answer through God as the key to the pain others feel?
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Future Meeting Dates: (Every 4th Monday in the conference room at 7 PM)

September 26th

October 24th (tentative)

November 28th (tentative)

No December meeting (tentative)

Liturgist for Next Meeting: Kevin Lillis

Closing Prayer: Theresa Walck

Adjourned meeting: Motioned Father Gifford and seconded by Theresa Walck

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rebecca Werner (Secretary) and subject to approval at the next meeting

Parish Council Assignments 2022