

SABB Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

7:00PM June 3, 2013 – Parish Library

Present: Hannah Hudson (youth rep), Ryan Dunleavy (youth rep), Fr. Jeff, Audrey Carbine, Brendan Walshe, Anne Storey, Kamal Kardash, Victor Puglisi, Jim Bors, Carolyn DeVeau, Betsy Werthman, Terry George, Lisa Kennedy, Suzanne Lipscomb, and Moe Hickey- guest to give Finance Council Report

7:00 –Prayer & Lectio

7:15 Fr. Jeff Updates:

- Stephanie Gettings Youth Minister to come this Friday, June 7 at 2:30 to meet with the youth. She will start the second week in July. She went to Univ. of Steubenville. She is gregarious and personable. Father thinks that she will be a great fit.
- Lisa F. will be working closely with her to transition her into the position.
- We now officially have a church archives centralized in the parish office.
- Good news: We got an estimate today to replace carpeting with non-carpet flooring in the classrooms of Parish Hall.
- Father has someone from parish that is willing to take him in for 3 months this summer if needed in order to continue with the sale of the Rectory House.
- We had acoustics person in to test and give an estimate on the Parish Hall acoustics. The "echo" is 4 seconds which is a profound problem.
- Proposal-To do the minimum which would take the "echo" to 2.5 seconds is \$30,000.
- To get the "echo" to 1.5 seconds it would be \$49,000.
- We can do this in stages do \$30K part now and \$19K part at a later date. It would mean installing long sound panels that absorb sound. They will match the colors that are in the Parish Hall now. The panels are covered in cloth.
- Summer madness is the biggest in the area. Catholic Review is going to report on it.
- Parking lot- may be resurfaced in the future.

7:25- Finance Council Update: Moe Hickey

Operating Budget:

- Increase in the budget due partly to the increase in offertory
- Revenue approx. 11% over budget at this time (but heading into summer where traditionally we fall back)
- Preschool is exceedingly well managed- Enrollment that comes in is actually larger than which is budgeted for
- 7,000 in catholic school scholarships to members of the parish. We are assessed annually for tuition assistance now so it ends up being a win-win situation for us to give scholarships to our parishioners.
- Cathedradicum tax- it funds all of the central services of the Archdiocese (helps out the churches that do not have the funds that we may have)
- Another cost saver is the Energy Consortium that we joined (\$15,000)
- Kudos to Bobby Paquin and Kristin
- NO slush fund... All monies allocated need to have been in the budget previously
- Fund Raising- run by the Finance Council first so as not to continually go to the same businesses etc.

7:45- Questions and Answers from New Members

8:00- Recap the status of Visioning:

Worship and Prayer:

To see our communal worship as the source and summit of our parish life with the active and conscious participation of all; and to strengthen our spiritual life and our relationship with Christ, providing an irresistible environment with myriad of opportunities to enable that.

Refine second-pillar language.

Learning & Proclaiming:

To cultivate a communal life that invites, challenges, and enables people of all stages of life to grow in faith and to recognize, embrace, and (conform/STRENGTHEN/GROW) more fully to the Christ we encounter in the Eucharist and in each other, and to share the good news of the gospel with the world around us (through/by)

Proposal:

Learning & Proclaiming:

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Begin Visioning on Service to God's People:

*Do not want to become too fragmented.

Ex. Casseroles- 3 here, 3 there, why not bring 6 to one so that it makes more of an impact in one area.

*New leadership, increase participation,

*Encourage all outreach ministries to root themselves more in prayer.

*Maybe come to a mass once a month together. Mass for outreach ministers, pray for the people we are serving, and then meet together for dinner and sharing. We could even make it a standing Sunday mass. The second Sunday of the month is ministry Sunday and focus on particular ministry each month.

***No ministry is ever full!**

*Ask people to stand up that are serving in a certain ministry. We can do this according to the four pillars. Who is serving in certain ministries?

Applause during the masses?? This is an area that people have differing opinions.

*We are good at servicing the poor and marginalized.

*Greater participation

*More people being called to serve.

*Develop leaders

*Mile wide and inch deep or Inch wide and mile deep?

Youth Summer Madness is for middle schoolers. Participation is at capacity and it filled up very quickly. What are they doing right?

We can look at this as the model- build on it.

Going deeper on something -maybe one of the areas that our youth are already serving during Summer Madness- adults can continue that ministry throughout the year.

*One day a month whole parish goes to do something as an outreach-

*Catholic heart workcamps in third world countries

*Sunday mass where CFC come to sign up families to adopt

*Rotate leaders so new ideas come to forefront.

- *Write up "job description" very specific (Annapolis by Starlight)
- *Vision ought to have Corporal works of mercy and Spiritual works of mercy (bereavement ministry)
- *Question asked about children raised in households where there is no religion- kids inviting other kids – Our youth are already doing this. They are encouraged to "bring a friend" to the chill outs following Saturday Youth Mass.
- *The youth were asked about faith, in general, among their peers. They commented about how many of our teen age parishioners are not actively pursuing their faith after Confirmation. Associated with that, she also expressed concern that many of her peers (including herself) have important questions that are not being addressed in our PREP program and consequently causing confusion among our youth in some areas, including gay marriage and abortion.
- *Vision and plan to loving, patiently, and forgivingly reach the neglected Catholics inviting them back.
- *Needs to be broad but also need to be timeless.

8:30 New Business:

We will meet on Saturday, June 15, 2013 8:30-11:30 to try to complete last 2 pillars.

Each council member is asked to review the compilation of past members "visions". Please try to look for common threads in these as well as add your own thoughts to come up with a new concise statement for "Service to God's People" and "Stewardship of the Gift's God has Entrusted to Us." Once you have done this please email your statements to the rest of the council.- Kamal has already done this.

Lisa has made a folder in the Google drive for council liaisons to "drop" their report from ministry meeting (more on this at our next meeting.)

Tuesday, September 3, 2013 Pastoral Council Meeting 7PM ALC
Father Jeff will be away Or we can move the date to Monday, September 9, 2013

8:40 pm - Close with Parish Prayer to St. Andrew.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Kennedy
Pastoral Council Secretary