

Pastoral Council Minutes

July 12, 2023

Attendance: Fr. Portelli, Terri Koehler, Bob Guzowski, Shannon Haines, Carleen Short, Marlene Moll, Tony Gennetti

Started Mtg with Zoom: Diocesan Publications (Tommy) - Discussed using Evangelist instead of Flocknote. As we currently use Diocesan Publications for our bulletin, we will receive a discount. Evangelist is all web-based, no app to download, built for simplicity. To include texting, cost is \$20/month - no limit on members (In comparison, Flocknote is \$50/month and the cost increases per 100 members).

Opening Prayer: 4:40 led by Fr Portelli

New Pastoral Council Members and Officers:

Dave Minor and Frank Candell were asked to join and both declined. Tess Gennetti was interested but since Tony (spouse) is already on council, she cannot join. Ed Neary expressed interest. Council agreed that he would be welcomed. Terri will notify Ed.

As this is the end of Bob's term, he will bow out. Terri will continue on but has to step down as Chair. Officers are as follows: Tony G: Chair, Carleen S: Vice-Chair, Shannon H: Secretary

May Minutes:

Motion to approve by Bob, second by Carleen

Commission Reports:

Knights: no report

Anna J Guild: (report from Terri) Terri read their mission statement which included their history. Father will add this to the bulletin.

Christian Service: no report

Finance: from Jill - Hank asked for a third bid for the concrete. Council unanimously recommended using Gambles with the complete sidewalk - bid \$16,442. Jill also reports that collections are up and we have met our CMA target. Father has \$60,000 + in donations for sanctuary renovation. Father has emailed the diocese regarding this renovation.

Faith Formation: Carleen reported that surveys have gone out to parents. The group met and are discussing starting Faith Formation in September.

Old Business:

Evangelization/Outreach: Angie has been working with St. Monica and has started a novena. She is looking at having small groups meet at individuals' homes. There was also discussion about flyers being put at Wilson State Park in order to help bring in visitors.

Parish Mission: July 23 - 25, 2023 Fr. Jewel Aytana will be visiting July 22nd - 26th. Sunday mass will be at 11 am followed by mission at 6pm. Mon - Wed there will be a 6pm mass followed by 7pm mission then confessions. Terri, Angie and Carleen will help with book sales during the mission.

Seminary Fundraiser: August 6th - Knights will do the 50/50 match as in the past. Anna J has already donated \$500 and this will also be matched by the Knights.

Harrison Street Fair: August 25,26, 2023 Terri is chair, Carleen is co-chair. The table is booked already. Times will be 10am - 7pm. The sign up sheets are out.

STA Group Focus Statements: Terri has a list of the group and will continue to ask for their mission statements. She currently has them from three different groups (one being Anna J Guild)

FORMED: Father asked to table this until September as renewal is not until January. Suggestion was made to keep Formed and ask the Knights about purchasing books rather than discontinuing Formed in order to purchase books to hand out. Bob will check with the Knights regarding this.

New Business:

Diocesan Publications: see above

Service Animal Policy: Terri shared current policy for awareness. It was noted that the ushers should have a copy of this so that they are aware. A copy will also be posted in the bulletin board as you enter the church building in addition to being put in the bulletin.

Other:

Choir Robes: Marleen asked about repositioning the rack where robes are hung as it is very congested after mass. Father suggested the addition of another rack at the end of the current rack to help with this.

Next Meeting: September 6th @ 4pm

Closing Prayer: 5:43