



Parish of Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 3, 2013

7:00pm Rectory Dining Room

Pastoral Council Members in attendance:

Monsignor Peter Joyce, Bill Zipparo, Leah Kornberg, Carol Ann Allen, Ellen Pfeifle, Peg Kroeger, Annette Sherby and Marge DeFoney

Opening Prayer: Peg Kroeger

Pastoral Council Facilitator: Monsignor Peter Joyce

Approval of Minutes from August 6, 2013: Peg Kroeger and Ellen Pfeifle

Old Business

Discussion was held concerning the choice of naming a permanent meeting facilitator or rotating that position for each meeting among members interested in participating. Some members did mention that they now feel more comfortable about leading the meetings than they were in the past, however, the consensus of the members was to have one permanent facilitator. Bill Zipparo was chosen and accepted the position of facilitator.

Youth Ministry, DRE/Prep involvement. /Service/Liturgy Ministry: Father Pete has reached out to 3 individuals for their willingness for leadership, but still needs to address their commitment before revealing their names. *Monsignor asked for parish council members who would be interested in assisting in communicating with this group; Peg Kroeger and Carol Ann Allen volunteered.*

Parish Center: Father Pete met with a second contractor attempting to get a response to a request for a committed written estimate on the building cost. The first contractor was approached in June with a set of ideas on visual standards for the facility, but still no feedback or dollar figure. When this information is acquired, Father Pete can proceed to the next step which will include *asking for a Capitol Campaign Committee to lead parishioners into a commitment to fundraising. This step has not been decided at this time. There should be a gathering of information that would clarify such questions as, 'who needs this facility and/or why is this facility needed'.* Possible answers: The facility would be used as a gathering place for parishioners to interact after Masses, a hall for our youth group functions, and a hall for sacrament related celebrations. Possible activities and uses for this space are endless.

Gift Card Fundraising: Gift card sales are going well, although it is believed this will be our best financial income when parishioners truly understand it and use it. Ellen Pfeifle suggested a credit card company the basketball team uses, but was unsure of the name. The CCD program is going to have students bring home flyers to address the large group of parents and/or guardians who may grocery shop during the time their children are in class. Father asked how we might obtain the use of a credit card machine to accommodate parishioners. Many people claim to use their credit cards for most other transactions

and would be interested in using the cards to purchase gift cards as well. *Father Pete said that since Jacquie Olansen is overseeing the Gift Card committee, she would be the person to continue communicating to the council for this committee.*

Capital Improvements: Bathrooms at COTR were handled beautifully...Kudos to Jacquie for a great job!

Peg Kroeger stated her husband would like to carpet classrooms at COTR and St. Casimir's (this was discussed but no final decisions were made at this time).

Role of PC, per 8/6/2013 minutes:

Action Items

Information that will go into the bulletin: full yearly financial report on one side and the other side will be information about the various parish groups that help the public (Food Pantries, St. Vincent de Paul, Thrift Shop, etc.)

New Business

For Agenda: Programs for small faith communities (suggested by Marge).

Next meeting

Thursday November 14th at 7pm in the extension will be a Town Hall Meeting. Open to any who wish to attend. First part will be our regular meeting and then open to public for discussion.

Reminder: Ask Barb Herr to announce Town Hall meeting date and time on Facebook and to welcome all parishioners

Prayer: Ellen Pfeifle

Refreshments: Monsignor Peter Joyce

Meeting ended at 8pm with a closing prayer by Father Pete.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Annette Sherby