

# St. Martin of Tours Pastoral Council Meeting

## **eMembers present:**

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| Mike Karolewicz (Chairman)     | Kathy Karls (Vice-Chair, Worship) |
| John Howard (Finance)          | Judy Edwards (School)             |
| Mike Clune (Secretary)         | JoAnne Stolowski (Formation)      |
| Char Goehring (Human Concerns) | Bob Mihm (Trustee)                |
| Dave Flynn (Trustee)           | Beth Rydeski (Finance)            |

## **Members Excused:** Fr. Yvon Sheehy (Pastor)

Fr. Joseph Thien Dinh (Associate Pastor)

Quang Dinh (At Large)

## **Guests present:** Jim Finstad (Budget Presentation/discussion)

Julie Clune (Parishioner)

## **Opening:**

The meeting opened on 4/14/16 at 7:10pm with a prayer.

## **Parish Community Comments:**

None at this time

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Feb 25, 2016 minutes were approved. John (1<sup>st</sup>), Judy (2<sup>nd</sup>), then all approved.

## **New Topics for future meetings:**

Char suggested "Communication". President noted the new topic for future meetings.

## **Financial Reports** (John Howard, Bob Mihn).

### **YTD Performance vs Budget:**

- 1) Bob reviewed 2016 YTD performance with respects to the 2016 YTD budget.
  - a) Overall Expenses are under control.
  - b) Trend: Donations are up for the past couple of months
  - c) Capital Improvements
    - i) Discussion was held on capital improvements and it's relationship to the overall budget. (Budget is Operational Costs, Capital Improvements additional expenses the church needs to cover)
    - ii) Needs were discussed (Parking Lot, Windows for School)

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- d) Performance vs Budget Layout for the bulletin was discussed and then approved

## **Fiscal year 2017 budget presentation (Jim Finstad)**

- 1) Explanation of the 2017 budget was given.
  - a) Information is gathered from all department heads
  - b) Finance Committee approves the budget, presented to Pastoral Committee for approval, then sent to Archdiocese.
  - c) Budget Net Ordinary income discussed
  - d) School budget discussed
  - e) Staff expenses discussed
    - i. Adjustments for inequities were made
  - f) No Seton effect included in this budget
  - g) Parish subsidy of the school has been reduced
    - i. Increase of Choice Enrollment
    - ii. Increase in health cost 2.5% (down from previous years)
    - iii. School tuition is on par when compared to Tri-parish schools
- 2) Budget reviewed and approved
- 3) How to communicate the new budget with the parish was discussed.

## **SMOT Pastoral Council Representative to Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (discernment)**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Prayer & Worship (Mike K)**

- 1) Message of readings
  - a) Starting June – Message of the readings will begin at the start of mass
  - b) Announcements will be moved to end of mass
  
- 2) Musical reflection before Mass
  - a) Mary is on-board with Music for reflection time before Mass

#### **Stewardship (Beth)**

- 1) Sacrificial giving was discussed
  - a) Reports of 2014 and 2015 were handed out to Council Members
    - i. Possibly put the giving chart into the bulletin.
  - b) Developmental Goals
- 2) Building Community
  - a) Bring back Donut Sunday
    - i. Parish Council members meet and answer questions
    - ii. Communicate the budget
    - iii. Build relationships
  - b) No more “fund-raisers”, term should be “Community Building” or like phrases
  - c) Take new members out to breakfast, coffee.
  - d) Social Media – increase usage
  - e) Time & Talent census

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## **Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- 1) Update on SMOT and Seton Schools
- 2) Update on Stewardship initiatives
- 3) Update on addition of Message of readings, Musical reflection before Mass
- 4) Synod Priority: Enhancing Hospitality at SMOT (read p.7-8 of "A Vision for the Future: Evangelization and the Sunday Mass", come prepared to discuss in May)

**Next Parish Council Meeting: May 19,, 2016 7:00 p.m., Narthex**

## **Closing:**

Prayer and meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm