

# MINUTES

## St. Veronica Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

6:30 P.M.

### Youth Meeting Room

#### Attendees:

X Pastor, Fr. Carmello Giuffre

X Chairperson – Eric Schmidt

X Christian Formation/Sec. Terrie Cavender

X Trustee Treasurer, Ken Widenski

X Trustee Secretary, Don Schaewe

X Worship, Lillian Ciske

Guests: Deacon Patrick LaPointe and Tim Ewert

X Present E Excused A Absent

X Vice Chairperson – Jenny Francis

X Robbin Hassel

X Stewardship, Judith Schenk

X Human Concerns, Mary Thiry

1. Opening/Prayer by Fr. Carmello
2. A motion was made by Jenny and seconded by Don to approve the agenda.
3. A motion was made by Robbin and seconded by Jenny to approve the August 2016 minutes.
4. New Business:
  - Election of Chair and Vice Chair for Parish Council.
    - Nomination of Eric to serve as Chair and for Jenny to serve as Vice-Chair. A motion was made by Robbin and seconded by Ken.
  - Human Concerns
    - Guest, Tim Ewert, spoke to the Council regarding the Human Concerns Committee. Tim has volunteered to serve as the committee chair and is asking for a liaison from Parish Council to attend bi-monthly meetings. Tim also requested a staff person who would work with the Human Concerns Committee. Mary advised that she would like to be the liaison for the Human Concerns Committee. A motion was made by Don and seconded by Ken.
  - Selection of Liaisons: Christian Formation – Terrie; Human Concerns – Mary; Stewardship – Judith; and Worship – Lillian. We are still in need of a representative for A.P.C. We will no longer need a liaison for STAA. The Finance Committee will act as that bridge.
  - Parish Council Members: There was a discussion regarding the need for additional members for Parish Council. Fr. Carmelo would like at least 10 people on Council. The names and telephone numbers and/or emails of interested parties should be forwarded to Fr. Carmelo. Discernment of new member – Judith Schenk.

- Cluster Parish Meeting: Will be held on October 13, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in Johnson Hall. Pulpit announcements will occur on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. There is a need for small group leaders and members of Council have been requested to volunteer as small group leaders. Sacred Heart will host a day time meeting for all our cluster parishes for our elderly who may not be able to attend the evening meeting.
  - Discussion regarding refreshments and procedures for invoicing costs. Discussion regarding registration for meeting (online, in person, and/or registration forms in pews).
  - Results of the meeting will come back to Parish Council.
- Long Term Goals: Work on our relationship with NOTL. Discussion regarding bringing the two councils together to meet. Eric will reach out to NOTL Council Chair.
- Short Term Goals:
  - Picnic next summer hosted by both NOTL and St. Veronica.
  - Communication: From Parish staff to Parish Council; Communication to parishioners through use of parish website and town hall meetings. There was a brief discussion regarding the next Town Hall meeting to be held in November. It was suggested that summary of the cluster meeting be included.
  - Improve parish website – what type of content should be included.
  - Long and Short Term Goals will become standing items on agenda.

#### 5. Representative's Reports:

- Worship – Deacon Pat advises that NOTL and S.V. collaborating. Healing Mass to be held at NOTL and Memorial Mass to be held at S.V.
- There was a brief discussion regarding the combined choir of NOTL and S.V. and potential members who perhaps are unable to climb the stairs to S.V. choir loft. Collaboration is otherwise going very well.

#### 6. Pastor's Report:

- New mass schedule with explanation will be in bulletin.
- Cluster mass times for Saturday: 4:00-Sacred Heart; 4:30-NOTL; 5:00-St. Veronica; and 5:30-St. Paul (IC/St. Augustine still working on their mass schedules).
- Cluster mass times for Sunday: 8:30-NOTL; 9:00-Sacred Heart; 10:00-St. Paul and 10:30-St. Veronica (IC/St. Augustine still working on their mass schedules).

#### 7. Closing Prayer – Fr. Carmelo

#### 8. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Terrie Cavender