

Parish Pastoral Council Minutes
August 15, 2017
7:00 PM – Commons

Attending: Mark Hannisch, Theresa Dethlefs, Steve Duppong, Roger Kueter, Doug Christensen, Becky Mudd, Father Colter, Sarah Burke, Katie Schmitz

Opening Prayer

Approval of minutes from June meeting

Brief discussion and review of bylaws which included the note that the only non voting member of the Pastoral Council is Father Colter. All other members are voting including ex officio members.

Old Business:

- Goal Setting – Tabled for later meeting with a full Pastoral Council present and more time to reflect on goals.
- CVCS presentation – We would like to have a follow up discussion with a CVCS rep regarding their findings, a status update and future plans. It would give us more opportunity to reflect on the questions of what would draw us, St. Patrick Catholic Church to invest more in Columbus?

New Business:

- Introduction of new members
- -Pastoral Council Officer Elections (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary) – Moved to nominate Steve Duppong as Chair, seconded. Steve Accepts. Moved to nominate Bill Mackey, seconded for Vice Chair. Bill was not present to accept. Moved to nominate Sarah Burke as Secretary, seconded. Sarah accepted.
- Totus Tuus Discussion – General feedback from Pastoral Council members with close knowledge of participants was generally positive. There was a need for greater parish volunteer support to allow Rosi and Tracey and the leaders to feel less pressure of logistical and disciplinary concerns but generally there seemed to be a strong desire for Totus Tuus to continue a second year.

Future Agenda Items:

- Discussion of what committees require Pastoral Council representatives to attend compared to reviewing written reports.
- CVCS Presentation- mentioned in Old Business.
- Preliminary plan and discussion for debt reduction. This is a joint conversation between the Long Range Planning and the Finance Council. Determining the appropriate timing to do the final push for the final \$750,000 of debt. The intention is to invite Tom Hoag and Paul DiMarco for this discussion at the September meeting.

- Stewardship Committee- Consider what is Stewardship and what are the goals of the Stewardship Committee? It's more than money, it's an attitude toward life but how can we better define it and live it within our parish?
- What areas of the parish can we challenge to grow or offer support to shore up.
- Parish School Survey- Discuss the need for and benefits from doing a parish survey of those St. Patrick members who have children PreK-8 but do not send them to St. Patrick School. What are the reasons people do not send their children to St. Patrick School? Are there any of those reasons that we as a parish can offer solutions for?

Committee Reports:

- Parish Life – This committee has some new energy in it with the chair and members. Family Bike event was well attended.
- Finance Council – Minutes reflect a 15% reduction in giving during this fiscal year but please note that it's only reflecting the month of July and could very likely be an indicator of nothing.

Next meeting 9/19/17 at 7pm