THE PARISH OF ST. EUGENE PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – [Dec 12th, 2022]

IN ATTENDANCE: Fr. Pat Cahill; Deacon Mike Zboyovski; Deacon John Langlois; Rick Lober (Chair, 6/24); Ashley Torres (Vice-Chair, 6/23); Shawna Hoffert (Sec, 6/25); Mechelle Kobar (Parish Administrator); Buster Brown (6/25); Raul Cervantes (6/23), Jesus Gamez (6/24); James Greene (6/24); Pat Irmen (6/24); Charles James (6/25)

NOT PRESENT: Ed Korte (6/24); Laura Morales (6/25)

GUESTS: Closed meeting for dinner social

- Meeting was called to order at 6:42p by R. Lober and an opening prayer was said by Fr Pat.
- Dec Minutes were approved (motioned by B.Brown, seconded by A.Torres.)
- Parish Life Minister Fr Pat
 - Direct response to the Synod call for staffing in this area
 - Discussions have begun with Walkyria Almonte for a full-time, paid position (possibly a year-to-year contract)
 - Job description to be built with her help
 - Ms. Almonte has been the Parish Council chair, is in the church office almost daily, knows the parish well, has a proven record of service to the parish, and is bilingual
- Fundraising Efforts Fr Pat
 - 215K of 450K goal has been raised!
 - Fr Pat will update parish at masses
- Committee Assignments A.Torres
 - A. Torres reminded the Parish Council members to contact their assigned commissions and seek feedback to bring to the January meeting
- Suggestion Box S.Hoffert
 - No written suggestions in the box
 - Delise Romero came to R.Lober and brought up concerns regarding the "Cry Room":
 - Bathroom often locked during mass (Fr Pat thinks the janitors may be locking, will ask them to leave open on Friday for the weekend masses. R.Lober also will put a note on the door as a reminder.)
 - 2. Room temperature is much colder than the sanctuary (Fr Pat thinks a child may have hit the big red Emergency button that stops the HVAC; it needs to be pulled out. Room has its own HVAC and temp control.)
 - Rick will get back with Delise
 - Other parishioners have been asking when Children's Church is going to re-start
 - 1. Not enough volunteers at this time; still looking for volunteers
 - 2. Childrens' bulletins have been ordered to be passed out before dismissal to all kids (this was Joan Tolley's idea; it is being done at other parishes)
- No new business was noted
- Closing Prayer was said by Fr Pat and meeting was adjourned at 7:20p for the dinner social to begin.
- Next meeting: Will be on [January 8th, 2023] at 6:30p in the ACS social/meeting area.

Minutes prepared and respectfully submitted by Shawna Hoffert. If you have any questions or need additional information about anything on the minutes, please reach out to a Parish Council member. All Parish Council members' information is posted on the wall in the Fellowship Hall.