

Minutes of Pastoral Council Planning Meeting

February 22, 2021 1:00PM via Zoom

Present: Dcn. Tony Abts, Sharon Brabson, Fr. Tom Farrell, Pat Gureski, Jean Krebs, Tom Polacek, Ann Rose, Kathy Wolff

The meeting began at 1 pm with members' sharing their habits of daily prayer.

Goals of the Meeting:

1. Review short term goals that emerged from SWOT analysis
2. Edit them to 3-5 goals and review strategies suggested by PC members

Review Council Input and next steps:

- Pastoral Council supports Mission Planning by preparing the parish for MP process
- PC sets SMART goals that the PC will achieve by working through and with committees
- PC members will attend committee meetings to share goals and invite committees' participation in achieving them

Discussion/concerns:

1. PC needs to recruit new members and determined strategies:
 - a. Share the need @ committee/commission meetings this spring
 - b. Ask committee/commission leaders to suggest names
 - c. Write blurbs in bulletin as CSR and Faith Formation do
 - d. Consult former members
 - e. Make recruitment a yearly process that includes publicity in bulletin, personal invitation, discussion with chair/s
2. Goal to build back attendance after COVID
 - a. What can we do at masses to help build back?
 - i. Reinstate the kiss of peace?
 - ii. Ash Wednesday attendance was higher than Christmas
 - iii. Fr. Tom and Dcn. Tony stood outside and visited

Next steps:

1. Meet briefly on March 23 @ 2:30
2. Revise goals/strategies:
 - i. Goal 2: Tom
 - ii. Goal 3: Kathy
 - iii. Goals 1 and 4: Sharon
3. Need to prepare "talking points," "white paper" and FAQ's
4. Tom and Dcn Tony will put together 3 bullet points on MP.

The meeting was adjourned after these decisions.

Minutes by Kathy Wolff