

St. Charles Borromeo Pastoral Council Minutes

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Opening –Pastoral Council began at 6:30pm at St. Charles Borromeo Parish, 5571 S Marilyn St, Milwaukee, WI 53221

Members in attendance:

Father Brian Holbus

Bob Adamus

Adam Engman

Martin Ewert

Sr. Monica Fumo

Judy Schneidewent

Terry Stanton

Sue Stoecker

Excused Absence:

Sr. Ellen Corcoran

Jeff Pucel

Jamie Barchus

Opening Prayer: Terry Stanton

Reading and Reflection: Adam Engman

Old Business:

- The minutes of the Monday, February 25, 2019 meeting of the Pastoral Council are approved.

Pastor's Report—Father Brian Holbus

- Priests Placement Board: The reassigned Priest for St. Charles Borromeo and St. Romans will be announced in the future. Once announced to Father Holbus, he will advise both Parishes.
- There is an idea between St. Romans and St. Charles Borromeo that a combined Pastoral Council between both Parishes may be more successful and productive.

Commission Reports--Summaries

School Commission—Sister Monica Fumo (meeting held on March 26, 2019)

- The Lenten theme is 'A Call to Holiness'.
- Common Meeting Night: It was a great evening and the time frame was good. It was wonderful to hear about the great things happening in the Parish and we would like to do this once a quarter.
- The School's art teacher and classes have connected with the prayer shawl group.

Principal's Report:

- A major focus has been preparing for the re-accreditation (every 7 years). The goal is to be a School of Excellence again.
- The school calendar should be ready in early April. The school year will run from August 26, 2019 to June 9, 2020.
- Ninety-four percent of the student body has re-enrolled for the 2019-2020 school year (209 students).
- Joan Schaefer is the new CEO of Seton Catholic Schools.

Advancement Report:

- The school is applying for a \$10,000 grant for Marketing/Communications.
- We are inviting all recent graduates who are in grades 9-12 for pizza and conversation on April 30, 2019.
- We are connecting with the Garden district for free advertising.
- "McTeacher" Night is April 10, 2019.

Technology Report:

- Presently, the school owns 90 touch Chrome Books.

Home & School Report:

- Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10, 2019.

Athletics Report:

- We hope to offer a Family Field day (fun sports for everyone) just before the Parish Picnic.
- Soccer season has begun.

General Discussion:

- One important concern for our commission is in how to bring families together and to attend church frequently? Various ideas were shared.

Stewardship Commission—Adam Engman

- Ideas for a campaign to encourage more children to attend the Mass are being discussed.
- Terry Stanton has joined the Stewardship Commission.
- The Stewardship Commission is building a social media 'pipeline' to update Parishioners monthly on Saint Charles Borromeo news and events. This would be an online video newsletter distributed through different social media channels.
- We are continuing follow up on Stewardship campaign pledge cards--all new volunteers are being contacted and guided toward the various commissions in which they expressed interest. Thank you cards are also being distributed to every person who submitted a pledge card.

Human Concerns—Sue Stoecker (meeting held on March 20, 2019)

- The June donation will go to St. Ben's. We are looking for requests from other commission for possible organizations to donate for July.

St. Luke's Eucharist Distribution:

- Rick reported there were a few names on the Time and Talent cards who were interested in St. Luke's ministry. He will also be contacting some of the Eucharistic Ministers to see if they would be interested in joining. He spoke to Don Dobbs & Dennis Skwor who agreed to help short term while new ministers are trained.

St. Vincent De Paul:

- Rick said there were 3 additional people who showed interest in St. Vincent de Paul through Time and Talent.

Prayer Shawl Ministry:

- 14 shawls were turned in.

Outreach Weekend:

- Southwest Interfaith visit: April 27-28, 2019.
- Mother's Day Rose sale: May 11-12, 2019.

Other Events:

- Funeral preplanning presentation is to be held on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 6:00pm.
- On March 8, 2019, 80 people were anointed at the Anointing Mass of the Sick.
- On March 16-17, 2019, the Undy Sunday collected \$1012.00 dollars AND numerous items.
- Next meeting is May 22, 2019 at 6:30pm.

Finance Council—Terry Stanton (meeting held on March 11, 2019)

- Currently there are 223 students enrolled here at SCB.
- No maintenance person has been hired yet, but there is one temporarily hired as a cleaning person for mornings only.
- A budget committee needs to be formed soon. This committee will meet with staff and will ask what the upcoming budgets will be. The info will then be presented to the Archdiocese by May 15th, 2019.
- There was a good response from Time and Talent with 110 cards being returned. An acknowledgement of thank you will go out to all who returned their cards. A total of 313 Pledge cards were returned.

Evangelization and Christian Formation—Judy Schneidewent

- The Saint Charles Borromeo / St. Roman Joint Parish Mission was successful with about 120 people attending on Sunday and about 100 attending on Monday. There were many positive comments.
- The Round Table discussions are going well with about 25-30 people taking part each week.

Worship—Sr. Ellen Corcoran

- Excused absence—Sister Ellen Corcoran is on Sabbatical. Her position will remain on council (no other appointee) during her absence.

Pastoral Council New Business:

Next Common Meeting Night:

- October 23, 2019—There will be a Prayer service and brainstorming for more involvement from Saint Charles Borromeo's Parishioners in all of the ministries.

The acknowledgment of the donation from Bernard and Mary Tomaszewski:

- A memorial is to be decided--possibly the planting of an oak tree on the south easement of Saint Charles Borromeo grounds. The Milwaukee Department of Neighborhood services would need to be contacted regarding the permission and permit of planting of the tree. This idea will be discussed with Jenny Sczesny—Director of Administrative Services, Buildings and Grounds and Finance Council.

New Council Member Discernment: SCB LEADERSHIP SELECTION FOR 2019

We are selecting at least 4 (perhaps 5) Pastoral Council Members

- Weekend of April 27 – 28: the need for the Council Members will be announced in Church and in the Bulletin.
- Weekend of May 4 – 5: the announcement in Church and in the Bulletin is repeated. Current Council members will speak at the Masses. Nomination forms will be available. Speakers will be Bob Adamus, Martin Ewert, and Judy Schneidewent.
- Weekend of May 11 – 12: the announcement in Church and in the Bulletin is repeated. Current Council members will speak at the Masses. Nomination forms will be available. Speakers will be Adam Engman, Sr. Monica, and Martin Ewert.
- Weekend of May 18 – 19: the announcement in Church and in the Bulletin is repeated. Nomination forms will be available.
- Discernment at the Pastoral Council meeting on May 28.
- Discernment Committee volunteers from Pastoral Council: Sr. Monica Fumo, Terry Stanton, and Sue Stoecker.

We need a new Trustee Treasurer

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- Weekend of May 11 – 12: the announcement in Church and in the Bulletin is repeated. Nomination forms will be available.
- Weekend of May 18 – 19: the announcement in Church and in the Bulletin is repeated. Nomination forms will be available.
- Nominations close at 3:00PM on May 24th. The election if needed is 2 weeks later.
- Weekend of June 8 – 9: Election if needed.

Agenda items for next meeting:

- Discussion of the joining of Pastoral Councils from St. Roman and St. Charles Borromeo.
- Discussion of new ideas to recruit new members for Pastoral Council and Finance Council.
- Discussion of what current Pastoral Council members should include when making the lector's announcements in regards to the nominations of new Pastoral Council members and the Pastoral Council discernment meeting on May 28, 2019.
- Next Pastoral Council meeting is April 22, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Space.
- Opening and closing prayers: Judy Schneidewent.
- Reflections: Martin Ewert.

Closing Prayer--Sister Monica

Meeting adjourned at 2016 hours