

Heart of Jesus Area Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 29th - 7:00pm at Olivia

Present:

Mary Jo Schmoll, Carol Westhoff, Abby Thurston, Kim Lippert, Diane Adamski, Nancy Standfuss, Sara Anderson, Fr. Denny Labat, Fr. Irenaeus Nwimo, Fr. George Schmit

Absent:

George Stadther

- A. Meeting called to order by MaryJo Schmoll at 7:10 pm
- B. Opening Prayer led by Father Denny.
- C. Presentation from Life Touch - decision needs to be brought to the Admin Council meetings at each church and get their thoughts on what they like, Sara ask if she could give us a sample of the Community Connect, potentially shoot for late summer, ask her if the small book would have 4 separate sections or will they be together – and how that works for the cloud login, also see if they have a demo login to what that looks like online
 - a. new ways to do the directory, showed different varieties of options of books
 - *Traditional Premier choice (larger version, separate dividers for each parish)
 - *Community Connect choice (Smaller version) no activity pages to layout/design – staff, family section and roster – can update it at any point with all churches,
 - *Both versions (traditional or premier choice) have the options of cloud access with secure username & password
 - *Carries images over for 4 years
 - *2 promotions currently, photograph between Dec 15th 2016 and March 4th 2017):
 1. extra 5 points (\$500)
 2. 20% off portrait orders for families
 - *Free 8x10 & directory for anyone who gets their photo taken
 - *4 week window needed before the time we'd want to start taking the pictures
 - *Expected of us:
 1. 4 weeks of sign-up, potentially making phone calls
 2. Host helpers the day of the pictures (early & late shift)
 3. Layout of the directory (ex. Publisher, StoryBuilder etc.)
- D. Routine Matters
 1. Approval of minutes – September 15, 2016 – minutes were approved.
 2. No additions to agenda
 3. Parish Reports/coming events – by 1 of parish reps
 - a. Bird Island – Christmas Concert School, CCW theme baskets Sat/Sun by George Stadther & Mary Jo Schmoll
 - b. Hector – youth had a turkey sandwich fundraiser in Nov, CCW took part at the craft/bake sale in the community, youth mass Dec. 7th by Carol Westhoff
 - c. Olivia – bible study group, youth mass, extra times for confessions listed for all 4 parishes 14th or 21st of December all of the religious ed will be having confession time for the students Jan 8 on Epiphany, St. Aloysius and Holy Redeemer are having their Christmas program
 - d. Renville – Turkey Dinner went well, religious classes going well, CCW meeting talking about the collaboration between the AFC
 - e. Other Dates:

January 29th is Catholic Schools week, Spaghetti Dinner on that Wednesday at St. Mary's

Feb 4 – Praise team singing at St. Aloysius

March 1 – Ash Wednesday

E. Unfinished Business

1. AFC Picture Directory – done previously in item C above
2. Goals and objectives for Heart of Jesus Area Faith Community –
Each board member rank them in terms of importance (1=highest priority) and this will determine the areas that we want to concentrate on in that Mission of the goals, everyone email their rank to Sara and then people can review before next meeting to refine the objectives, January 15th have them submitted to Sara so that people can review and think about objectives prior to the next meeting. Next meeting we'll focus on the top 2 from each mission. Email should include ranking of each responsibility within the mission.
3. AFC Logo/Branding: Website, Online Giving, and Envelope – Sara or Nancy will scan a copy of the mission option Father Denny has by his computer and that will be emailed out to the committee here. Carol has a drawing as well that maybe we could integrate with the copy he has on his desk etc. Sara will reach out to Toni B. on submitting a logo design, also put in bulletin options for others to submit, January 15th would be the deadline to submit to Sara so that options can be given to the committee next time. Abby will check with Heidi M and Rob as well. Logo options submit in color and black & white since bulletin is in that format so we know it will look nice.

F. New Business

1. Amazingparish.org “3 building blocks & 5 misconceptions” Video and Discussion
 - a. Conference & videos area, lots of good video options, even an option of other books

G. Future Business

1. Next meeting – March 2, 2017 (Thursday) at Olivia
 - a. Agenda items –
 - b. Deadline for agenda items (week before meeting)

H. Adjourn done at 9:25 pm and closing prayer was completed by Father Denny.

Future meetings: **1st Thursday** of September, December, March and May at 7:00pm at Olivia:
~~Sept. 1, 2016; Dec. 1, 2016 (Changed to November 29);~~ March 2, 2017; May 4, 2017