

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

8/25/09

Present: Karen Dickrell, Father Andy Kysely, Leon Thiel, Mary Mares, Rob Sims, Chris Sitzmann, Bill Rogers, Val Revnew, Lynn Zinkgraf, Rick Ossanna, Brian Schwartz

Absent: Father Tom Farrell, Tim Poremba, Jean Coffey, Sandy Rogers

Introductions and Welcome

May 26th Meeting Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes from the May meeting.

Pastor and Team Reports

Father Tom was not present. He is recuperating from bicep surgery.

Our Council Structure

Minutes/Secretary

A volunteer will take minutes at each Pastoral Parish Council meeting.

Liaison Reports

Volunteers are needed to fill the open committees. There is no liaison to the Finance Council. Doug Laurent will present a financial report to the Parish Pastoral Council at the September meeting. We will ask Doug if the Finance Council can provide minutes from their meetings.

Social Concerns/Respect Life--Open

Technology – Rick Ossanna

Rick will be attending the technology committee's first meeting. Father Quinn was the initial drive for this committee, and it sounds now like Bob Seymour will assume a leadership role. A wireless server has been installed in the church, and a projection system was installed in the narthex the week of August 17th.

Stewardship—Brian Schwartz

There is nothing new to report. Brian will be contacting the group to attend another meeting. The nametag project is progressing.

TBCE – Tim Poremba

Liturgy – Jean Coffey

Parish Fest – open

Mary reported that this group is looking for a new leader for next year. The event last June experienced poor weather, but did about as well as the previous year.

Building and Grounds – Mary Mares

The Division Street apron is in the process of being replaced, through the work of committee members. The baseball diamond improvements are in process. A group of parents lead by Cary Mares has successfully raised funds required for this project, and have performed the work. Dedication of the field will occur on Saturday, August 29th at 11:00 AM.

Youth – open

This is a new committee for which a liaison is needed. The contact is Elisa Trembly.

New Business:

2009-2010 meeting dates (please bring your calendars!)

We will stick to the meeting dates on the schedule Karen sent out. Meetings will last 1½ hours, beginning at 7:00 PM. The October 27th meeting will be the Pot Luck at the rectory. Father will provide the drinks and meat, and everyone will bring a dish to pass. This will begin at 6:00 PM, with the meeting to follow. Spouses will not be invited to this meeting. Karen will work with Debbie Thorson to set a date for the annual parish meeting.

“2009-2010 Annual Organizational Gathering” Discussion and Planning

We discussed the purpose of this meeting. Mary described the retreat that has been done in the past. It would bring together the pastor, the Parish Pastoral Council, the Finance Council, representatives from the other parish organizations, and staff members. We discussed an appropriate time for this meeting, agreeing that it needed to be in September. Father Andy commented that a Saturday could work around 11:00 AM, after confessions. We may also schedule it in place of our September 22nd meeting, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Karen, Mary, and Brian will work on setting an agenda, finalizing a meeting time, and sending out invitations.

Youth Representation

We have had youth representative on the council in the past, and we agreed that it would be a good idea to continue this practice. Mary has some individuals in mind, and will pursue this possibility.

Leadership Training opportunities for fall 2009

The annual Fall Leadership Workshop for the Green Bay Diocese is scheduled for October 6th at St. Mary’s Elementary School in Menasha, from 6:45 PM to 9:15 PM. This workshop allows for attending two sessions. Mary will email the pamphlet to council members. We can all sign up on our own at www.gbdioc.org/FallLeadership.

Picture of Council Members

We will have a Pastoral Parish Council group picture taken at a future meeting, so parish members can know who we are. Mary has new nametags for council members in the Pastoral Parish Council cubby in the narthex.

Other

The next sessions of Christ Renews His Parish are the weekends of October 3rd for men and October 17th for women. We are asked to pray for success, and to encourage attendance.

H1N1 paranoia is in our future.

Lynn does not have anything to share with us regarding Trustee.

Recorded by Brian Schwartz