

Parish Council Retreat 12/8/18

8:15 AM Celebrate Mass - All

9:15 AM Meet at the Ministry House for Opening Prayer - All

9:30 AM Discuss Any Parish Council Business for December - All

- Mark Frederick and update on the Refugee Welcome Ministry team
- Eric Schrenger and strategic planning update. List of participants in coordinating committee.
 - Wantland, Schrenger, Melissa or Mike Hillerich, Kelly Shaper, Ken Peet, Allyn Simpson, Sheri Harbsmeier, Kathy Stivers, Betty Osborne, Father John, Deacon Bowling, A Wolz, Dave Gnadinger, Lara Krill
 - Wolz outreach to the strategic planning vendors. Two-Three suitable vendor leads.
- 6-9 month planning process for next strategic planning process(core team). Kucia Group and Johnson-GrossNicklies.
 - Need youth/young adult representation.
 - M Frederick will talk to his son, Eric Schrenger will reach out to Anna. Kathy Stivers will reach out to younger school faculty.
 - Perhaps monthly meetings with “homework” in between sessions.
- Ice Breaker exercise (This or That)
- 10:00 AM Reflection on Parish Council’s Purpose - Eric
 - Using the Archbishops letter and the Parish Council Pastoral Guidelines
 - Mission of the Archdiocese
 - Vatican Documents and Canon Law documents that offer direction and support for the purpose and work of the Parish Pastoral Council structures.
- 10:15 AM Review Latest Version of Bylaws and Suggest Revisions - Mark
- 11:15 AM Review and Approve Bylaw Revisions - Eric
- 11:45 AM Closing Prayer - Evie
- 12:00 PM Lunch - All

Actions:

- Need to set up parish council google docs repository for parish council documents.
- Need to build parish council database in google docs.
- Miranda to bring calendar of scheduled meetings in January

Retreat Notes

Purpose: Reflecting and Coming Together. Work bylaws
Brittaney was absent, Donna Hansen took notes.

Mark Frederick provided a quick update on Refugee Project, discussed meetings, board members, and way ahead. The plan is for Sponsorship to occur next school year around October timeframe.

Update on Strategic Plan. It will kick off in Jan or Feb. Amanda Wolz is looking for a facilitator. Eric Schrenger provided a list of names of those that will be on it. The strategic planning core team will convene in January to discuss. Dave Gnadinger mentioned that he too wanted to participate and be on core team. Idea is to get younger generation involved: young teachers, preschool and aftercare teachers. Kathy Stivers was going to get with teachers, Miranda was going to get with Anna for names of younger persons.

Then Miranda Wantland did an activity called this or that. Everyone had to stand and move to one side or the other depending on preference on what she called out.

Eric Schrenger spent a little bit of time reading through letter from Archbishop and the Archdiocese Parish Council Guidelines.

Focus:

- 1) Communication and decision making and providing counsel to the Pastor.
- 2) Member Selection is a ritual for Archdiocese. It is a very formal and deliberate discernment process.
- 3) Discussed on to use the Guidelines when looking at our own bylaws.
- 4) Mentioned that we need to remind Terese H about attending another Council meeting to discuss Finances. Made decision that we should preposition Questions for her before the meeting so she isn't overwhelmed and will be able to provide answers at meeting.
- 5) Eric will invite Committee Chiefs to all Council meetings and keep them involved and in the know.
- 6) We then looked at 11-16 on roles and processes in bylaws.
- 7) Mark mentioned we need to engage more with the committee reports and updates. Build better relationships with all the committees.
- 8) The plan is to get with Committee Chairs to find out when they hold their meetings so that council members and attend them. Need to have an ear at certain meetings and committee updates. We need to collaborate on meetings and notes.
- 9) Miranda said she would bring calendars of committees to our next meeting. She will reach out to Laura Kline of PTSO to have her present to Church Council.

There was an off line discussion on spirit wear and the logos Amanda had sent out.

Mark was taking over after break to go through by-laws with the hopes of finishing.

Efron will edit directly on google docs and provide a link for everyone to see it.

Plan is to rework policies.

Create an index for definitions that need clarification. Send descriptions to each committee to help determine what are the official committee subsets.