

St. Gabriel the Archangel Church

Approved Parish Council Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2019

Members Present: David Gnadinger, Evie Yaden, Jay Blair, Tyler Frederick, Linda Lenhart, Andrew Simpson, Dawn Roseberry, Deacon Mike Fitzmayer, Fr. John Schwartzlose

Members Absent: Deacon Stephen Bowling, Efren Quirino, Kathy Abell

Guest Present: Maria Dawson (Administration Committee)

Opening Prayer: Presented by Deacon Mike Fitzmayer

New Business/Updates:

- Introduction of new/current members – each shared their background.
- Discussed current terms and new terms of at-large members.
- Linda Lenhart volunteered to be Secretary /Tyler Frederick volunteered for the Co-Chair position. All members present approved.
- Terms were set for new members as follows:
 - Andrew Simpson and Linda Lenhart – 4-year term
 - Tyler Frederick, Dawn Roseberry, and Kathy Abell – 3-year term
- June 2019 Minutes reviewed and approved.
- New Parish/School Members and Recognition
David Gnadinger had the idea for the Parish Council to reach out to new parish/school members to welcome them to our Parish Community. He also suggested we reach out to parish members to thank them for their sometimes behind the scenes work that they do. The Parish Council wrote thank you notes to 28 families/individuals. Fr. John took care of mailing them.

Ongoing Items:

- David Gnadinger reports he spoke to Laura Krill (School Principal) regarding the new procedures for car pool/handicapped drivers. He brought questions and concerns to her attention – changes will be made as needed.
- Strategic Plan – review to see if changes need to be made in the wording.
- Dawn Roseberry plans to attend the upcoming Administration Committee meeting on Tuesday, August 20th to represent Parish Council.

- Pam Terwilliger (Finance Manager) will return for the September Parish Council meeting to go over the Diocese Audit.

Committee Updates:

Administration Committee (Maria Dawson)

- The committee has 3 openings to be filled. Looking for volunteers with skills in sales and marketing, engineering, technology, long term planning and campus building and maintenance.
- Discussed how the committee is separated into 4 sub committees. 3-4 members per team, consultants are enlisted on some teams. The subcommittees are currently working on the following:
 - Red
 - 1) Security/Lighting
 - 2) Landscape Design
 - Blue
 - 1) MPB – storage – identify and solve – look at options
 - 2) Childcare storage
 - Brown
 - 1) Wayfind Project- Campus signage including Play Park. Evaluates needs/changes.
 - 2) Cafeteria/Kitchen remodel – cost and design
 - Yellow
 - 1) Green Initiatives – Green Ribbon – Environment Conscience. A representative from the school has been asked to attend the September meeting to discuss the garden, greenhouse, etc.
- David Gnadinger asked if they had looked into having a brand map available. Maria said they are working on it.

RCIA – Report submitted by Therese Brennan

- Adult Formation Team is complete.
- Summer Saint Series was well received – interest in offering it next year.
- RCIA Team worked the Duck Pond booth at the Parish Festival, look forward to working next year with a few new plans.
- RCIA Team will be available after Masses the weekend of August 10/11 and 17/18.
- RCIA begins Sunday, August 25th with a meet and greet for family and sponsors.
- Catholic Heritage Series planned for Thursdays in September. Facilitated by new member Karen Purnell.
- End of Life Panel will be Tuesday, October 8th from 7-8:30 PM,
- Seeking a good date to host Catholic Charities' Long-Term Care Ombudsman so those who have family/friends in long term care can learn both the laws and what resources are available for their loved ones.

School Report – No Report

Sports Ministry – No Report

Appreciation focus from July - Betty Osborne

Betty Osborne is active in many areas at St. Gabriel, but she is also very generous with her time outside of the parish. This is just a sample of other ways she gives of herself.

As a member of the Fern Creek Woman's Club, she participates in Operation Smile which makes and sends hospital gowns for children who receive cleft palate surgeries in third world countries. It is their understanding that the children wear their best clothes and then after the hospital visit, they no longer have that item to wear as it is ruined during their hospital stay.

Betty also participates in the back to school backpack drive which includes donating backpacks and school supplies and then meeting with a group to fill the backpacks for parents who are on the FCHUM group who receive help with food for their families.

Betty and the FCWC are currently fighting to save our library which is losing its current space, unless they win the battle to save the place that has been funded by the FCWC for years.

Sacred Heart Home Nazareth Home is a place Betty visits to assist with communion distribution from time to time. St. Gabriel eucharistic ministers do not currently minister here because they are covered by another church in that area. They requested help, and Betty is there when they need her when she is available..

Something new Betty is learning about is the Human Trafficking issue. She has started her training to help, but has not yet completed the training. She believes this will have her visiting incarcerated women.

Group Disussion

Update on Refugee Family – Fr. John states we will know more in September. Catholic Charities leads this mission. There are 4-6 parishes in the Archdiocese that are involved.

Set Agenda for next Month

Opening Prayer – David Gnadinger

Closing Prayer – Tyler Frederick

Next Parish Council Meeting: September 11, 2019 @ 6:30 (Ministry House)

Closing Prayer – Fr. John Schwartzlose

Notes prepared by Linda Lenhart, Secretary of Parish Council