

Church of Corpus Christi

Parish Council Meeting

Monday, March 13, 2017

Minutes

Board Members present: Father Fitz, Steve Pawelski (Chair), Jill Klausung (Vice Chair), Sandy Hug (Secretary), Betsy Madden, Mo Boxrud, Gloria Lopez Franco, Tony Valois, Toni Leach (Staff Liaison), and Sue Valois (visitor)

January Minutes were approved

Social Justice report: Service Saturday planned has low projected turnout. Perhaps due to being off site or only 10 years of age or older invited? Letter writing to legislature to fund Dorothy Day Center projects next Sunday. Social Justice committee will tour Higher Ground on April 19th. April 22nd will be Earth Day clean up of Corpus Christi grounds 9:30-11:00am. Catholic Mutual working to get refugee community involvement in Giving Garden. Planting April 29th or later and garden blessing on June 11th.

Liturgy report: Lent means bringing in people of all ages to participate. New people are signing up for ministries. Name tags are needed for ministers of all kinds. Hospitality, pacing and silence important for Lent. Phil working on hearing devices--being used much more now that they are out of sacristy. Many positive parishioner comments regarding meaningful liturgical movement during Lent.

Communication report: The tv is up with announcements and photos playing during Fish Fry events and before and after Mass. Tony is using his own tv, while we look for something more permanent, perhaps with a stand of its own. Comments on it have been positive. Internet information should be immediate and updated regularly. Looking into website and making that manageable. Bulletin sent through emails going well, but need to tag on ads and PDFs of bulletin inserts as well.

Corpus Christi Strategic Planning Team (CCSPT): Town Hall meeting April 2nd at 11am. The three pillars of Faith Formation, Outreach and Liturgy will be discussed along with results of all surveys. Father's fast-approaching retirement to be addressed. The Phone-a-thon was a major success in reaching out to parishioners, updating their contact information, and connecting with them.

Finance report: Hand In Hand still deciding if they should expand, divide their school among two sites or leave altogether. Father needs to check with Archdiocese about

possible addition/remodeling/expansion. A better lease agreement will be necessary regardless. Hand In Hand has lease until June 2018. Facilities check shows we need to be proactive to improve or replace many items. The air conditioning will need to be freon-free by 2020, the dishwasher in the parish center needs replacement, the parking lots need repair, etc. Possible need for company to do inventory to decide what needs to be repaired and what those will cost.

Solar Progress: Apex working on getting answers from city codes and Xcel Energy

Upcoming Elections for Parish Council: May 21st and 22nd elections (Sheets in pews April 23 and 30, bulletin info May 13 and 14, bios and pics in by May 8th)

Father's Comments: Father's retirement 2018 (turns 70 in November), looking into possible replacement who could ease the transition. Hand In Hand started with 70 students, now at 250 students with a goal of 400. Church could take out loan to upgrade facilities if school commits to stay. Will check further with Archdiocese about Hand In Hand, knowing CC can't lease or sell the land to HIH.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, APRIL 3RD 8:00-9:30pm in the Gathering Area

****Note this is the first Monday because the second Monday falls during Holy Week.*****