

Parish Council Minutes
Church of Corpus Christi
Tuesday, December 18th, 2018, 8:02PM, CC Gathering Area

In Attendance: Fr. Marc Paveglio, Mo Boxrud (Chair), Tony Valois, Kirk Enzenauer, Sandy Banaszak (vice-Chair), Jim Colten, Alisa Weber, JoAnn Winter, Toni Leach (staff liaison).

Absent: Candace Logeais (Secretary).

Visitors: Sue Valois (staff).

Opening Prayer (Mo).

Approval of Agenda.

Nomination of a Parish Representative to the Ad Hoc Lay Advisory Board: (Mo) This item is in response to Arch Bishop Hebda's request to all parishes to submit the name of a member from their Parish Pastoral Council to the Archdiocese's new ad hoc Lay Advisory Board. Sandy volunteered and was accepted.

Update on Wednesday Night Outreach: (Sandy) This pilot outreach project, called Welcome Home Wednesdays, is being run by Sandy with the help of Ken Crea and Liz as the staff liaison. Sandy presented a detailed description of how she planned to move forward with this, including passing out several pages with additional details. She is currently planning on implementing this on each of the four Wednesdays of February. It will operate in conjunction with the youth liturgies that are a regular part of the Wednesday night religious education program and will have as a main component a provided meal beforehand. Rather than over plan she is trying to keep the format "organic" so that it may respond the needs of the participants. She anticipates publicity will be important to the success of the program. Because this is a first attempt, she plans to regularly survey the participants to get detailed input from them. After February they will evaluate the success of the program and make decisions about its future.

Follow-up of parish Transitions over the last 6 months: (Sandy) When we discussed the transition with the Parish, and especially the controversial change of the Mass schedule, we promised to keep the community abreast of the results and provide opportunities to hear their concerns and observations. The council discussed some of the effects observed to date then considered how to proceed with communicating with the parish. Consequently, a parish Town Hall was scheduled for January 27th after the 10:30AM Mass. This should dovetail nicely with Fr Paveglio's plan to give a "State of the Parish" message at the Masses on the preceding weekend. This town hall would be a major event with publicity, food, and perhaps even daycare, so that everyone would feel welcomed and encouraged to attend. We still need to work out a detailed agenda, plan the food, plan the daycare (if implemented), and choose an engaging title. One suggestion was The Road to the Future.

Follow-up Action Items from the Joint Meeting with the Saint Rose Parish Council: (Fr Paveglio) We discussed the two sheets that were emailed out to everyone summarizing the meeting at Saint Rose on Nov 13th. It was observed that many of the items listed for possible collaboration are not quick or easy to implement. In addition, some of them could be described as serving only small niche groups within the Parishes and therefore may have only modest affect on the overall life of the two Parishes. No specific action items were identified at this time and more discussion will be needed. In particular, we should decide what we want to accomplish before the spring joint meeting.

Discussion of PC, FC, BAT and their relationship to a possible Capital Campaign Committee: (Mo) This was a discussion of how to deal with some of the looming large capital projects and potential interactions and responsibilities of the committees and teams involved. The parish staff is another important group that often does a lot of the work surrounding projects. Given we agree that a capital campaign is necessary then a likely next step will be to choose a professional organization to help us define our goals and help us plan the campaign. As a starting point the Archdiocese

maintains lists of organizations that help churches with capital campaigns. We could also ask around at other parishes to see how they handled their campaigns. The parish staff can start making these calls. A related topic discussed was the idea that the parish council represents the congregation, and part of their mission is being informed on major issues so that members of the community can reach out to members of the PC to get information on what is going on in the parish.

Staff Updates: (Mo) A suggested new regular item on the parish council agenda would be to give time to the parish staff representative to bring issues the staff encounters to the attention of the PC. This would simply be giving a more formal and structured form to communications between the staff and the PC. Toni will see that the staff are made aware of this communication channel and assist the staff in compiling a list of issues for presentation to the PC each month. After this discussion a question was brought up: does the PC feel it is adequately informed about the work of the other committees now that we no longer take time within the meeting to hear from the PC liaisons. This led to a discussion about the timely availability of the written minutes of these meetings to the members of the PC. A suggestion was made to have the individual groups submit their minutes to Maureen in the office and she could collate them into a single summary document for distribution to the parish's leadership, including the PC.

Closing Prayer: (Fr. Pavaglio).

Adjourned: 8:25 PM.

Next Meeting: January 15th (3rd Tuesday of the month).

Respectfully submitted, Tony Valois.