

Pastoral Council Agenda

September 7, 2017

Time: 6:45 pm Location: Ed Center 3-4

Attendees:

Staff

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Nathan Reesman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Katie Schaitberger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rick Doll
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fr. Justin Lopina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jill Maria Murdy	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Immaculate Conception

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catherine Yekenevicz (trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lori Lehnerz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rafael Vela
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janice Bodden (secretary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Swosinski (trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sue Nygaard (chair)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jerry Meulemans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Falkner (vice chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don Theisen (finance)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kris Deiss	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mike Walter	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Saint Frances Cabrini

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Andrew Kolb (chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Kohlmann (trustee)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lynn Corazzi (secretary)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Anne Marie Danaher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jarrod Lehnerz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Herdrich (trustee)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob Roecker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joe Vespalec	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sara Sauer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Gugg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lisa French (vice chair)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Joint Meeting Topics:

- Opening prayer
- Approval of minutes – minutes were approved by Council
- Updates from Fr. Nate & Staff
 - Faith and Family Fest update – Katie updated Council on this upcoming event:
 - Total value of sponsorships are OK, although the number of sponsors is down. Catholic Financial and Myrum Patten were noted as significant donors
 - Still looking for additional volunteers, especially in kids areas
 - Role of Committee Liaisons to the Council and keeping minutes – Fr. Nate shared his perspective on the role of Committee Liaisons:
 - Responsibility is to be the voice of the Council to the committees and to bring back the committee discussion to the Council
 - Liaison is to make sure there are written minutes
 - Minutes from committee meeting should be sent to the Council Secretary, Lynn Corazzi
- Follow up Topics
 - Revisiting Bulletin Communication – Fr. Nate requested help from Council members to re-visit the discussion on ideas for improving communication to parish members through the bulletin. Lisa French and Lynn Corazzi agreed to participate. A separate meeting will be scheduled in the next month with Tammy, Fr. Nate and Katie.
- New Discussion Items
 - Catholic Herald Promotion in the parishes – Fr. Justin led a discussion on the Arch Bishop's desire to have parishes support the Catholic Herald:
 - The Herald is receiving positive feedback after shifting its coverage to a more local focus
 - Challenge is that awareness of the Herald is low among younger Catholics
 - Arch Bishop is looking for ways to promote the print and on-line version
 - Council discussed potential communication through bulletin articles, an insert, or having the Herald do an article about the Faith & Family Fest and get extra copies to hand out

- Feedback and assistance with young mothers/families connections ministry – Katie offered perspective that parishioners with young children are looking for connections, leading to discussion of what the Council should do.
 - The need is coming from all three parishes, and Mary noted that the listening sessions confirmed a disconnect from 20-26 year olds
 - Suggested looking into Mothers of Pre-Schoolers (MOPS), which is a national program that has an active group at Kettlebrook
 - Recommended looking into using St. Mary's gymnasium for an evening play time

- SFC School Thanksgiving Turkey Trot: A good idea? How to move forward? – Fr. Justin led a discussion on the potential for a Thanksgiving Turkey Trot, a 5K race and project that he could build from the ground up. For non-runners a Rosary Walk would be offered.
 - Idea is gaining traction with Catholic churches as they can be held right after mass
 - Benefit would be for the schools
 - Preliminary discussions have been held with West Bend Police Dept about a simple route on the Eisenbaum Trail
 - Katie expressed concern about funding the Trot and logistics, given the short time to Thanksgiving
 - Council recommended scrapping the race and continue development of the Rosary Walk

- Mass Servers – Lynn Corazzi shared that questions had been received about why the new Mass Alter Server program was open only to men. Fr. Nate offered the following thoughts:
 - Idea developed from the Youth Ministry
 - Opportunity to give young men their own ministry
 - Potentially can be expanded at a future date

Breakout meeting topics: Immaculate Conception

- Next steps for neighborhood outreach work
 - Outreach door hangers were delivered to part of the Barton neighborhood. We received two responses requesting help with lawn mowing. There was one additional request for help with Fall cleanup.
 - What is the next step? We had many parish volunteers for all types of work. Father Nathan contacted the people who volunteered for light housekeeping to help with Saint Mary's church cleaning.
 - We will need some type of insurance form for the volunteer and the person who has asked for help.

- Review 160th Celebration – Plans are moving along smoothly. The booklets are done. Food Service is in place. Mike will emcee and there will be name tags for the Parish Council members and the Trustees. Sausage Plus will be here at 10:00 am to set up, the brunch will be served after the 9:30 Mass.

- Review church renovation and school living history plans/ fund appeal
 - Church rendering boards will be set up in the kiosk. On September 18th, information will be mailed home. Some sanctuary panel walls will be used in the hallway. Still open for final discussion. The need for door replacements has also been discussed.
 - On September 20th @ 9:30 am and 6:30 pm there will be a parish meeting to discuss the interior rendering and the Living History room project funding will be explained.
 - The neighborhood playground sign is up. There are also banners outside the sacristy.

- Deepening connections to the Spanish community at IC – Mass will be moved to 1:00 pm. We need to continue working on how to better connect with the Spanish community.

- Committee reports
 - Archdiocese – Jarrod will represent both councils. The cluster is working on communication for the four parishes.
 - Catholic Formation – Lori Lehnerz – this committee meets quarterly – we discussed the need to keep the young families involved, perhaps a date night. More young families are coming back to the Church. How do we evangelize at our parish events? The Holy Habits cards were distributed at Mass.
 - Finance – Kris Deiss and Janice Bodden – Looking to provide a truck to be shared between the parishes. 80 – 20 split on expense. 2012 truck @ \$15,000 – could add a plow for \$5,000. More discussion on the Living History room. There was a bequest to be shared by SFC and IC. The Living History room will need a new entrance door on the front of the school. A sketch of how the pavers will be laid and the number needed to be sold before Spring was discussed.
 - Human Concerns – Rafael Vela – this committee meets twice a year. Their meeting is next week.
 - Prayer and Worship – Mike Walter - not here
 - Stewardship – Mike Falkner – meets quarterly – the annual stewardship letter from Father Nathan was discussed – will be sent out soon. The rummage sale will be held October 20-21

Breakout meeting topics: Saint Frances Cabrini

- Latest numbers on facilities improvements and plans
 - A new exhibit was created to better present items originally included in the Capital Campaign and their latest spending estimates, which is currently \$158,040 below the initial budget
 - Discussion of projects that could consume the savings, including unanticipated expenses related to the school's walls, the church roof and the parking lot
 - Council agreed to request bids for the parking lot as it is a key component of a future vision for the parish campus and in need of a plan to prioritize other spending.
- Donor wall feedback for Andrew Davis and next steps
 - Council toured the wall and commended Andrew on the workmanship completed to date
 - Considered two options for the plaques, either a brass or plastic, and options for either stenciling or stickering for the Mother Cabrini quote.
 - Council approved the brass plaques, despite a higher cost, due to the look and durability
- Committee reports
 - Archdiocesan councils (Jarrod) – No update
 - Cluster councils (Andrew) – No update
 - Faith Formation (Sara) – Growing RCIA and baptism program, kindergarten is expanding. Current enrollment is down, but is expected to increase after school starts. Council will receive more information about evangelization in the parish later.
 - Finance (Lisa/Joe) – No additions to facilities update
 - Human Concerns (Anne Marie) – Chairperson resigned, and are looking for a replacement. There are concerns about what will happen if a new chair cannot be found.
 - Prayer and Worship (Bob) – No update
 - School (Dave) – A number of updates included:
 - After school care program was arranged with the YMCA. Developing a 2 year program for fall 2018
 - HVAC/Window projects are on track
 - Program being developed for 60th anniversary on October 29
 - Auction plans are progressing. Trying to get more interaction with major sponsors and to reposition the evening as a community event
 - Fr. Nate talked about efforts to look at other before and after school programs, and to develop a 3-5 year plan for the school. This year are offering \$48K in scholarships and need to evaluate how to keep this going.
 - Stewardship (Katie/Lynn) – Stewardship appeal is done. A planned giving brochure will be going out in October. Katie is reaching out to a parish in Los Angeles for ideas on developing this area. A Greeter Ministry is starting, with more details to come.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 30, 2017 6:45 pm at Mother Cabrini Hall