

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

May 3, 2018

Time: 6:45 pm

Location: Immaculate Conception

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jan Kolb

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

Saint Frances Cabrini

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

Joint Meeting Topics:

- We opened with a prayer by Father Nathan
- The April minutes were approved.
- We had five guests at this meeting. Jean Franke, Whitey Uelman and Jacqueline Wulff from Saint Mary's and Dave Zimbal and Gary Coyne from Saint Frances Cabrini. Everyone introduced themselves.
- We again addressed the subject of proper Mass attire. Perhaps something could be put in the bulletin – we do not want to offend anyone.
- Katie attended the Parish Conference at the Archdiocese. The 2018 focus is on Mission and Leadership. A Key Point – the pastor needs to be free to operate his parish. SM and SFC already have a very good structure in place regarding information sharing.
- Faith and Family Fest – September 16, 2018 at Regner Park. Jan has contacted previous donors. There will be a BAGS Tournament and a T-shirt will be designed. The recipient this year is Big Brothers/Big Sisters.
- PC email – SFC – is it valid. Someone has to be in charge of looking at the email regularly. SM does not advertise PC email. The council secretary could be the contact person.
- Catholic Formation – Katie – quad parish booklet is available for new families.

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- Casa – Father Nate – A draft of the proposed lease agreement upgrades is about half done for the nuns house. The firescape needs to be redone.
- Two Charter Schools have approached us about using the school building. They want us to take down all religious artifacts to meet charter school regulations. We are not interested in doing that

- Our \$15,000 match challenge is over the top.
- Tuition incentive – advertise this more to new parishioners. Perhaps a welcome packet with more information. Part one – worship space for kids – perhaps kid friendly for families.
- Neighborhood outreach – Jan – a small committee needs to be set up.

Committee reports:

- Catholic Formation – Lori – the summer programs are in place. The Identified with Christ policies to be put in place.
- Finance – Kris and Janice – a new format for Capital Expenditures is in place.
- Human Concerns – Rafael – Respect Life will be at SM in January.
- Prayer and Worship – The Mass of Remembrance name has been changed to The Mass For The Faithful Departed. Confirmation will be May 18th at SFC. Bishop Sherman will be the celebrant. First Communion was April 28th and 29th.
- Stewardship – Mike F - Neighborhood outreach will be continued.

The meeting was closed with a prayer and an Our Father by Father Justin.

Saint Frances Cabrini Break-Out Session
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- Follow up to FN pulpit update and stewardship conversation – what next?

Feedback from Fr. Nathan's message about the state of parish finances was very positive and seemed to be well received. His message to the parish was that the capital campaign was very successful and projects that were funded are being completed. There is, however, a big difference between designated giving versus general contributions. General contributions seem to have slowed since the beginning of the year, and the weekly variability is creating cash flow challenges.

Unspent funds raised through the capital campaign currently provide cash to meet general needs, but once the parking lot and roof are completed, the parish will need to use the line of credit for the first time in approximately six years.

Without a pick-up in contributions, the parish may need to consider delaying the hire of the part-time youth minister, cancelling planned retreats and scaling back other programs.

- Updates on Journey program – non profit exploration

There is a desire to make this a county-wide program, and IC/SFC/HA are working with the UW Extension to look into feasibility, need and demands. First meeting is 5/23. If it becomes independent, a pastor would be on the board, making it potentially eligible for Archdiocese funding.

- Project updates – proxy approved for added projects

Both the parking lot and roof proxies were approved. Ed Center needs are still being assessed.

- Discussion – feasibility of enclosing the two lower canopies to make lower level welcome areas

Since the underlying concrete needs to be re-poured, there was discussion of how to potentially enclose the two walk-ways to create a gathering space. A glass enclosure is prohibitively expensive, so canvas canopies will be considered. As it is relatively inexpensive, Council agreed with plan to include heating in the concrete to eliminate snow and ice.

- Committee updates:

Faith Formation – discussed how to continue Holy Habits, the new Faith Formation program and Journey. The “Identified with Christ” documents are still in draft form, Fr Nate has had meetings with various stakeholders.

Finance – Updated cash flow for major projects. Parking Lot project, which will last throughout the summer, is expected to negatively impact weekly contributions.

Human Concerns – Met on April 9. At the Respect Life event on 5/19, will still be with Seeds of Hope. St Vincent de Paul will have a trailer for donations.

Prayer and Worship – Several updates:

Looking at ways to change the Mass of Remembrance to remember people from any time of death and not just last year.

Good numbers for all Holy Week masses.

Placement of alter railings was well received.

The committee gained a couple new members.

Choir had a meeting to discuss the mass time change and created an alternative that continues the communal time together.

School – Several updates:

Earned Exemplary status, along with Holy Angels and Kewaskum

Hired Missy for the Day Care Program, which is targeted to open mid-August. How to make her available before and after school will be a challenge and will take some creative coordination.

Day Care will be named “Little Saints”, with each room named after a saint.

Alumni Appeal raised \$3,000-4,000. Appeal included mailings and Facebook posts, but not as successful as hoped.

Stewardship – discussion focused on an update of the TV’s that were researched for the two parking lot entrances, with agreement to hold off on installing. Fr. Nate would like to have on in the school.