

2017-18 Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

St. Christopher Parish – October 10, 2017

Pastoral Council Members present: Mark Heyde-Chair, Sue Barker, Ryan Hartberg, Jim Kinney, Deb LaBerge, Nikki Schuh, Father John

1. Opening Prayer: Father John
2. September Minutes: Deb made the motion to accept the October 10th minutes with corrections, Father John Seconded. Minutes approved.
3. Ryan Zakrzewski submitted council resignation
 - a. **Father John will be appointing replacement**
 - b. Updated Council Picture after Father John appoints replacement
 - c. Headshot of new member
 - d. Fern to update pictures/names in entryway
4. Parish Mission Statement:
 - a. Change tense to present tense
 - b. Tidy up bear/carry/infuse language as well as with/through Holy Spirit language
 - c. **Ryan to submit updated mission to council via email.**
5. Hospitality Commission update:
 - a. Deb is now sans Ryan Z; “Welcoming committee” is part of Hospitality Commission
 - b. **Deb to recruit members**
 - i. Jim Kinney volunteered to help Deb
 - c. Meg Matenaer to coordinate group of girls to welcome at church.
 - d. Create pamphlets.
 - i. Get pamphlets out to realtors in town.
 - e. Outreach to graduating seniors
 - i. Christmas cards and baskets
 - f. Hand out Pillar of Fire, Pillar of Truth booklets to all attendees of Ecumenical Service Monday, November 20.
 - i. Deb to find ‘ushers’ or KC’s to help hand out
 - g. New families: welcome to community with gift/meeting?
 - i. Father: Book quote/idea - “most people are ‘unchurched””
 - h. Finalize goal/mission of the ministry
 - i. Advertise and recruit members
 - j. Form ministry
6. Stewardship Commission: Sue and Mark R
 - a. Father: “build a ‘mystic’ or ‘mentality’ of giving (inside and outside of the parish) - *what can I do for others / this parish (community)*”
 - b. **Father John will schedule meeting with Sue and Mark R to keep things moving.**
 - c. 880 envelope holders in; 420 give > \$0; those 420 families give ~1.5% of income based on mean parish geography income on average.
 - d. Time, Talent and Treasure
 - i. What is our priority
 - ii. What is short term / long term focus
 - iii. Fundraising

1. Scrip card
 2. Amazon smile
 - iv. Talents
 1. IT
 - v. Time
 1. What is a good time to help?
 - e. Monthly speaking on importance of giving was proposed
 - f. Quotes (15-30 words) on stewardship and giving in bulletin each week below weekly giving.
 - g. Ask for \$ in a very direct and personal way
 - h. "Infuse parish with stewardship mentality"
 - i. Have a meeting to discuss/decide: state of the state
 - j. Expectation document?
 - k. View Wichita, KS diocese stewardship program on their website
7. Parish Branding Update:
 - a. Nikki is point person; Backflip chosen
 - b. Logo and Crest to be created quickly
 8. School feasibility process update
 - a. Feasibility discussion went well on Nov 12. Good questions; general support/excitement; nothing overtly negative. Moving forward with feasibility report.
 9. Pastor's Report:
 - a. Scheduled to finish by end of 2017
 - b. Latin Mass at Paoli is going well. 18 was the lowest attendance; 55 was highest. 89 for All Soul's Mass.
 10. Divine Renovation
 - a. Father commits to reading a chapter per week
 - b. Council to discuss chapters 1-3 next meeting (Dec?)
 - c. Nametag Sunday with Donut Sunday
 11. Christmas Book
 - a. Nix for now – Ryan will talk with Doug on what he suggests
 12. Next meeting: Tuesday, Dec 12, 2017
 13. Closing Prayer: Father Sasse