

2017-18 Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

St. Christopher Parish – October 10, 2017

Pastoral Council Members: All present: Mark Heyde-Chair, Sue Barker, Ryan Hartberg, Jim Kinney, Deb LaBerge, Nikki Schuh, Ryan Zakrzewski, Father Sasse, Mark Rayha, Liz Frias

1. Opening Prayer: Ryan Z
2. September Minutes: Sue made the motion to accept the May 9 minutes with corrections, Mark Seconded. Minutes approved.
3. Ryan H (valiantly) volunteered to be council Secretary
4. Hospitality Commission update: Ryan Z and Deb met to begin documenting some goals for the commission as well as what next steps might be, including:
 - a. Finalize goal/mission of the ministry
 - b. Advertise and recruit members
 - c. Form ministry
 - d. Trifold ideas1 pages of notes were submitted by Ryan Z and Deb.
5. Stewardship Commission: Sue and Mark R
 - a. Decision was made to begin before December
 - b. Jan 13 – Annual Catholic Appeal
 - c. Monthly speaking on importance of giving was proposed
 - d. Quotes (15-30 words) on stewardship and giving in bulletin each week below weekly giving.
 - e. Ask for \$ in a very direct and personal way
 - f. “Infuse parish with stewardship mentality”
 - g. Have a meeting to discuss/decide: state of the state
6. Parish Branding Update:
 - a. One meeting hold while Father John was gone: Nikki, Nathaniel, Doug, Mark H, Backflip (and Ryan & Philip from Backflip)
 - b. eCatholic out of Texas also was considered. They were asking for \$7,000 up front.
 - i. Includes Websites & Branding; one and done
 - c. Backflip will help beyond receivable for one year and some preliminary analysis
 - i. Then shape website and social media to address areas of need
 - d. Fr. Eric @ St. Cecelia was pleased with the effort of Backflip at his parish.
 - e. \$5,000 up front analysis plus \$1,800/mo for support indefinitely unless we’re ready to maintain ourselves.
 - f. Parish Council tasked with asking parishioners about:
 - i. Sense of community
 - ii. Catechesis
 - iii. Welcoming
 - iv. New branding / website
7. Parish Council Goals:
 - a. After Nov 12th 11:00am Mass – set meeting for school feasibility committee to discuss with parishioners/visitors.
8. Pastor’s Report:

- a. School feasibility process
 - b. Parish center repairs with Ganser Company who gave a competitive bid and thorough advice/analysis:
 - i. Signed contract for St. William roof 9/8 (underway)
 - ii. St. Andrew Parish Center roof and joints (mid-November)
 - iii. Scheduled to finish by end of 2017
9. Turkey's for BPNN:
- a. 2016 – 100
 - b. 2017 – 130 goal
10. Christmas Book:
- a. Promotion
 - b. Reason
 - c. Process for it – Involve Doug
11. Short discussion on Divine Renovation – mostly tabled due to time
12. Next meeting: Tuesday, Nov 14, 2017
13. Committee Reports
14. Closing Prayer: Father Sasse