

St. Christopher Catholic Church

Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2017

1 Call to Order

- 1.1 Margaret Bauer, Chairperson, called to order the Regular Meeting of the St. Christopher Pastoral Council at 7:00 pm EDT on September 21, 2017 in the Bethany Room.
- 1.2 The following persons were present: Margaret Bauer, David Ciechanowicz, Mike Clouse, Jim Csenar, Tom Edwards, Vicki Murphy, Mary Ann O'Neal, Fr. Paul Shikany, Anne Thompson and Betsy Weddle.

2 Opening Prayer

- 2.1 Mary Ann O'Neal led the group in an opening prayer, reflecting on personal experiences with natural disasters, and bringing to mind those affected by the recent hurricanes and other life altering disasters.

3 Prayer Volunteer for Next Meeting

- 3.1 Anne Thompson volunteered to lead the opening and closing prayers in October.

4 Acceptance of Minutes

- 4.1 Tom Edwards distributed an electronic copy of the August meeting minutes via e-mail prior to this meeting. Jim Csenar motioned to approve the August minutes; Mike Crouse seconded; all in favor; no nay votes; no abstentions.

5 Staff/Ministry Reports

5.1 Pastors' Reports

5.1.1 Fr. Paul Shikany

5.1.1.1 A second collection was held for Hurricane Maria relief. There will likely be another second collection for Hurricane Jose.

5.1.1.2 Anticipated net income, after expenses, for the 2017 Festival is between \$56,000 - \$58,000. This is approximately \$5,000 less than 2016 net income, which is attributable to additional entertainment expenses and food cost increases.

5.1.1.3 The Parish and Master Planning Committee are still in discussions with the Town of Speedway regarding possible acquisition of the Town Hall property. Discussions are temporarily stalled due to the Town's annual budget processes. Also, the Town has no location to move operations at this time. The Parish has a high need for this property given inadequate parking on church property.

5.1.1.4 After approval from the Parish Council in August, the Building and Grounds Committee submitted a letter to the Archdiocese requesting approval to solicit bids to remove the heavily damaged steeple on the former church (PAC). The Archdiocese has indicated that it will hire third parties to provide additional assessment of the steeple's structure, wood fascia and roofing materials to determine if removal or replacement is necessary.

5.1.2 Fr. Matt Tucci

5.1.2.1 Young Adult Ministry kickoff is going well. Meeting next week with core team.

5.2 Financial Report

5.2.1 Jim McMechan (Via Proxy: Fr. Paul Shikany)

5.2.1.1 Approximately \$16,000 behind projected budget. Attributable to several second collections, missionary and large gift in 2016 that has not been repeated this year.

6 Committee Reports

6.1 None

7 Old Business

7.1 Council Committees

7.1.1 As of the end of the meeting, all council members had submitted their Committee Preference Sheets to Margaret. Assignments pending.

7.2 Coffee & Doughnuts

7.2.1 Margaret investigated opportunities for Parish Council to sponsor Coffee & Doughnuts, but all weekends have been claimed by other ministries. We will continue to seek opportunities.

8 New Business

8.1 Conflict of Interest Forms

8.1.1 Margaret distributed new Conflict of Interest forms that the Archdiocese is requiring as a result of recent business audits. All council members are required to sign these forms. All members present signed the form. Those absent will be contacted.

9 Announcements

9.1 Ministry Fair

9.1.1 The Ministry Fair was very successful.

9.1.2 All agreed that it was far more advantageous to hold it in Emmaus Way than in the PAC.

9.1.3 Feedback from parishioners and ministries has been positive, and indicates that this is a good time of year to hold the event.

9.2 Saints in the Streets

9.2.1 Reminder that it will be held Saturday, October 7, from 8:00am – Noon at St. Anthony.

9.2.2 Volunteers are needed to help clean up public areas and perform yard work.

9.3 Living Rosary

9.3.1 This will be held on October 8 at 2:00pm to celebrate 100 years of Fatima

10 Closing Prayer

10.1 Mary Ann O'Neal led the group in a closing prayer.

11 Adjournment

11.1 Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm EDT

12 Next Meeting: October 19, 2017 @ 7:00 pm EDT

Prepared By: Tom Edwards

Approved On: 10/19/2017

Chairperson: X *Margaret E Bauer*

APPROVED