

Saint Patrick Pastoral Council Minutes

June 19, 2018

Present: Dave Mann, Jenny Hall, Stacie Denning, F. Danso and Margie Petersen and welcomed new members: Scott Konz and JoAnn Grote (who at the end of the meeting have both decided to be Pastoral Council Members - thank you from the Council)

Not in Attendance: Liz Lyons, Katie Ausdemore and church secretary RaeShelle Jensen

Fr. Danso started the meeting with a prayer

Review of May 2018 Meeting Minutes: Correction was made that Stacie Denning was in attendance at the May meeting. Motion made by Jenny to approve May minutes and seconded by Dave - all in favor.

Tim Spiker/Cub Scouts Presentation:

1. Tim was present with his Mother and explained reason for this idea is because Boy Scouts have to do a community service project to earn their Eagle Scout & he'd like to do this for his Parish.
2. Most donations will come from the parishioners and fundraisers
3. Kits for the garden are preassembled
4. Tim would like to put the Rosary Garden behind the rectory
5. He thinks most of the dirt work equipment will be donated, example: Tim's neighbor would help with bringing and running a skid loader.
6. Approximate cost would be between \$7,500.00 and \$10,000.00 and extra cost for the Blessed Virgin Mary statue would be approximately \$2,500.00.
7. Engraved stones could be sold for a fundraiser and in memory of loved ones & many thought they could be sold for \$200.00 each.
8. Most of the volunteer work will be done by Tim's fellow troop members & the Council told him, that many people would like to volunteer their time, also.
9. Tim is willing to come to Mass and explain his plans to the parish - he will contact church secretary RaeShelle for a date to speak once plans get closer to start the garden.
10. Benches could also, be installed
11. Jenny suggested a stone business in Harlan to contact them for pricing of stones for comparison price, beings Tim has not heard back from the stone company he is going thru.
12. Concrete curbing will need to be hired out - cost is \$10.00 a foot & approximate need is 200 feet & a design has to be chosen yet.
13. Tim has to start filling out the proper paperwork and hear back before fundraisers are started & would like to see fundraising start in 2 1/2 months.

Midwest Sound: Tim Burkhart will be here on Friday at 9:30am. Council members who can be present to meet at church at 9:30am. RaeShelle has also, asked the Finance Council members and Bonnie Kramer to be at this meeting as well. - Midwest Sound installed a system in Atlantic at the Catholic Church and Dave, Jenny, Fr., and RaeShelle toured this facility and were very happy with the sound.

Formed: The Finance Council has approved this for one year. We need to get this started ASAP as we need the Beloved DVD for a marriage prep couple. RaeShelle will get this started this week.

1. Should we schedule a meeting in July to look over the program and find ways to start using it? RaeShelle is on vacation July 7-15, but Wednesday June 27th or Tuesday July 3rd should work.
2. July 3rd works for Dave, Jenny, Joann and Stacie to attend and there will be a gentleman come and explain the program to them.
3. Every parishioner will get a code to access this program - education for adults and children, both.

Scott Brooks Reception: Scott is being ordained at St. Francis of Assisi in Des Moines at 10:00am on August 4th. He will be celebrating Mass with us on Sunday, August 5th. The Finance Council suggested we have a reception for him after Mass on the 5th. RaeShelle thought we could do a breakfast with egg casseroles, cinnamon rolls, etc. RaeShelle needed to know our thoughts on this and if anyone would like to bring anything for the breakfast? - The Parish Council was in total agreement with honoring Scott at a breakfast on this date & everyone has committed to bring food.

Where do you fit in? RaeShelle included in this Agenda that our church needs new altar servers and she'd like to get some of these other groups started up. She attached the list of groups and would like to know the Council's thoughts and suggestion's and if changes need to be made.

1. Idea's to be added to the list are: Choir for Mass - Knights of Columbus - Hospitality Group & Hospital visits - Add adult altar servers - Farm committee for the working farm and Sacristan.
2. Make poster's, but leave off the bottom portion of this sheet which includes parishioners information
3. An idea to encourage altar servers to serve is to have Stacie's daughter Gracie, speak after Mass on why she likes to serve & hopefully this will encourage other kids to serve
4. As Fr. Danso stated: For Christ - Not a job, but it is for our own salvation and that includes the young and old
5. Another idea is to have parishioners give testimonies of their own Faith and Commitments
6. Many in the Council stated that parishioners also, need to be personally invited to join these groups. We do not think that we'd get much response by just handing out this sign-up sheet.
7. Fr. Danso will kick off this campaign in October, by speaking at Mass on the needs for Adolescent Catechesis, altar servers and Eucharistic Ministers

Member Changes: Letters were sent 5-29-18

1. Dani Baxter declined since she has McClelland City Council meetings on the same night of the month. She said she may be able to do it in a few years.
2. Matt Brummett said yes
3. Jean Hofmaster is still thinking about it
4. JoAnn Grote will be at the June meeting, but hasn't made up her mind yet. - Joann stated at the end of the meeting that she would join - Welcome & thank you Joann
5. RaeShelle sent Scott Konz a text the morning of this meeting & Scott did come and he also, stated he would join the Council - Welcome and thank you Scott
6. Margie will be going off the Council in September, after serving 6 years and a new secretary will need to be appointed

RCIA: Does anyone know of anybody that we should send a letter to invite them to join the RCIA program this fall? RaeShelle said she'd like to get these out in August, so please let her know as soon as possible. At the time of this meeting, no Council member knew of anyone

VBS: Jenny said that Vacation Bible School doubled in size this year and the students were all very attentive & some days would invite some of their friends to come. Thank you Jenny for heading up and organizing this wonderful program for our young people.

Meeting concluded - Motion to adjourn was made by Dave and seconded by Stacie.

Next meeting would normally be scheduled in September 2018, but a special joint Meeting between the Pastoral Council and Finance Council has been scheduled for July 17th at 7:00pm to meet about the Sound System in the church and parish hall.

Meeting was closed

Respectfully submitted by Margie Petersen - Pastoral Council Secretary