

Blessed Sacrament Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2015

Vision Statement: *The Spirit led people of Blessed Sacrament will be a joyful, Christ-centered, sacramental community of love, service, and peace.*

Mission Statement: *Because our hearts are burning within us, we the Community of Blessed Sacrament are Disciples of Christ, witnessing the love of God through worship, service, and life-long faith formation.*

In attendance: Greg Bazan, Father Tom McDermott, Harland Robinson, Tanya Cutsforth, Margaret Klein, Dianne Hensley, Ralph Davis, Tom Salkeld, Steve Kennedy, Joanne Chandler, Nathan Vannoni

Excused: Pat Cowell, Matt Tracy, Scott Zabler, Michelle Lathrop, Mary Nichols

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 by Steve Kennedy.

Opening prayer and reflection was lead by Ralph Davis.

Margaret Klein made a motion to approve April meeting minutes, Harland Robinson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Old Business

Parking Lot:

Tom Salked updated the council on current numbers.

Strategic Planning for Blessed Sacrament Parish:

Father Tom updated the council on the status of the plan. He reminded staff to fill out the spreadsheet of dates council members would be able to attend meetings. Further discussion was held on moving the large planning date of July 11th to a new date due to conflicts. It was decided a new spreadsheet would be sent out to get new dates for all meetings.

Volunteer Service Coordinator Position:

Mary Minard was introduced to the council as the new Volunteer Service Coordinator. Mary gave a brief introduction of her plans and contact information.

RAGBRAI:

Father Tom spoke to Phil Kenkel. Their preference is the PC overnight and use of showers. There will need to be a : "Captain" who is responsible for clean up and possibly work with other "captains" to police groups together if need be and check for "squatters" who are not authorized to use our area. There will be a \$50.00 deposit for each group that is parish associated to use the parish center for that evening.

Newly Elected Pastoral Council Members:

Maria Divalentin and Ruby Hibben have been invited to the June Pastoral Council meeting. Dates have been sent to them in an email. Also the new FF rep Margaret Hiesterman has been invited.

Other & Committees

Liturgy: Discussion on Votive area being well received by the parish.

Stewardship: Discussion on the ministry fair, volunteer breakfast – Sunday, June 7th
DAD's group will be cooking, Photo directory is in the works and set for June and July of 2016.

Finance: The votive candle funds will be placed in the memorial slot for budgeting. Amazon Smile.com is officially up and running. Ellen Heuer will be the new finance chair at the fall festival & fun fairs for this year. A Mid American audit has been done and further information will be coming out of the audit. The school playground bids have been revisited and in continued discussion.

Parish Community Life: No meeting, no report.

Social Justice: No report.

WCFFC: Reported by hand out prior to meeting.

CVCS: A new principal has been hired at Sacred Heart. A few openings remain for the upcoming 15-16 school year.

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Youth Report: No report.

New Business

WCFFC Request for 14-15 remaining funds distribution:

Father Tom gave a brief summary of what was being asked of all parish councils in the Waterloo area. He noted due to staffing not being filled there would be funds left at the end of the 14-15 year with the Waterloo Catholic Faith Formation budget. The WCFF group had discussion and would like to use the funds to continue to lease the 220 E 4th Street, Waterloo location for the next year. They have a list of programs and activities they would like to continue to expand on. Ellen Voegle went into further detail with the council on the vision that Dave Cushing and she have been working on the past month for the location. Questions followed.

Margaret Klein moved that the council approved the Blessed Sacrament portion of \$5,200.00 balance of the 14-15 WCFF subsidy be rolled over to the 15-16 WCFF budget to help lease and continue the 220 E 4th Street location for the 15-16 year. Greg Bazan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tom Salked asked the council to amend the parish budget for the 15-16 year by increasing the WCFF subsidy an additional \$2,300.00. Harland Robinson made the motion to amend the budget. Greg Bazan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Next meeting – June 23rd 6:30 pm Putz Hall. Tanya Cutsforth will lead prayer and reflection.

Greg Bazan moved to dismiss the meeting, Harlan Robinson seconded the motion. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10.