

# PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

June 25, 2018

**Present:** Fr. Ray Brenner, Dan Fritch, Ann Rasche, Scott Brandt, Mike Hagerdon, Lynn Scheu, Jerry Birge, Christine Brinkman, Max Verkamp, Jane Gehlhausen, Beth Ann Riffel, Fr. Traylor, Fr. Jerry

**Absent:** Antonio Loya, Steven Dunn, Bridgette Bartley, Moises Basilio, Anne Brosmer, Julie Stone, Pam Freyberger, Angie Greulich, Martin Estrada

**Opening Prayer** was led by Fr. Ray

The 7:05 pm meeting was called to order by Scott Brandt.

The minutes of the April 30, 2018 meeting were approved. Jerry made a motion to approve. Ann seconded the motion.

## Old Business:

### 1. **Evangelization & Outreach** *Mike reported*

- Minutes are now published on our website. The link to the minutes is also printed in the bulletin and on Facebook.
- Pew art cards continue doing well. We originally printed 1500, and we are nearly out.

### 2. **Parish Strategic Plan.** *Scott reported.*

- Alan Hoffman and Scott reviewed the list of potential committee members with Fr. Ray and Fr. Bill for approval. After their input, Alan and Scott finalized the list with Max and Ann. The final list included 18 names. In the next couple of weeks, all individuals on the list will be contacted to confirm their participation. The first meeting will be held in August.

## New Business:

### 1. **2018/19 Budget Approval** – *Dan reported*

- Reviewed the proposed 2018/19 budget. Max made a motion to approve. Lynn seconded. It was approved with one abstention. Concerns were raised over the increasing level of support for Holy Trinity which now accounts for over 20% of the parish's annual expenses. A suggestion was made to invite Greg Fuhs, the St. Joseph Holy Trinity Representative, to future Pastoral Parish Council meetings and have him report out like other commission leads.

### 2. **2018 Parish Council Elections Process** – *Scott reported*

- 5 terms are expiring in August. Two individuals – Christine and Beth are at the end of their two terms and are not eligible for another term. Max and Jerry agreed to serve another term. Scott will check with Steven to see if he wants to continue as a council member. Scott will also check with Antonio to see if he is still interested in serving since he has been unable to attend meetings. Elections will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in August.

## COMMISSION REPORTS:

### **FINANCE:** *Dan reported.*

- Two architects have been identified as possible partners for the infrastructure review of the church. Evaluations of the two are ongoing.

### **EDUCATION:** *Mike reported*

- VBS is occurring this week. Approximately 200 students are attending.
- Faithful Watchman awards were presented, and a nice dinner was had.
- Net Ministries retreat occurred in May and was very successful. Will consider again in the future.
- Rock Your Faith is occurring in July.

### **SOCIAL CONCERNS:** *Lynn reported.*

- Bingo in July will be held at St. Charles at 6:30.
- Respect Life discussed the Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration at St Peter & Paul.
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> is NFP week.
- Looking to send thank you's to local police, firefighters, and EMT's as a thank you for all that they do.
- Religious Freedom prayer cards are in the pews.
- Went to Louisville a couple of weeks ago to pray onsite at the abortion clinic.

**LITURGY:** *Fr. Traylor reported:*

- Choir is on their summer break but will be back for the Strassenfest Mass.
- Looking at utilizing one of the monthly Sunday evening services as a community Mass recognizing a specific community group, i.e. Veterans, Police, First Responders, Medical professionals, etc.

**YOUTH:** *Scott reported*

- One Bread One Cup was successful for the 8 youth and 4 adults.
- Parent Small Group Nights are going great. We had 13 parents at the first night and 20 at the 2nd night. The topics were Adolescent Spirituality and Teen Mental Health/Family Coping Skills. The next to Parent Nights are at the end of July and are on The Domestic Church and Family Goal Setting. All held at Holy Family from 7PM to 8PM. All parents invited.
- Invitations to the Extravaganza are getting ready to go out to parishioners.
- We had 47 youth for the Holiday World trip, which was offered at no charge this year. Huge success & great investment. We had a group of Hispanic youth that we haven't had before and more Anglo youth we have not had before. All--adult chaperones included-- had a great time.
- High School Bosco Reunion in May was great. Doug Fleck and Tim Bell helped us grill out and we had over 50 people.
- Upcoming: 2018/2019 Planning, Parent Nights, Notre Dame Vision, CORE Meeting on July 9th and Strassenfest Wettlauf Fundraiser on Aug. 4th.

**INTERCULTURAL MINISTRY:** *Mike reported*

- The Hispanic Fiesta was held earlier in June.

**SUCCESS STORIES/OTHER BUSINESS**

- Fr. Traylor commented that he ran into a woman who watches the St. Joseph Mass on TV and complimented him and Fr Ray. She enjoys viewing Mass.
- The Parish picnic was very successful. Scott recognized Dan and Sara Fritch for their efforts over many years on the picnic.
- Tina and Jason Pierce did a very good job for their first year running indoor dining at the picnic.
- Lynn's son got married this past weekend.

**Closing Prayer:** Fr. Traylor led us in closing prayer.

The next meeting will be **July 30, 2018 at 7pm** in room 307.

**Submitted by:** Max Verkamp