Meeting Minutes

5/5/2023

1. The meeting convened with Opening Prayer at 6:05

2. Roll Call –

- Present: Louise Beauchemin, Margaret Beauchemin, Flor Bonilla, Susan Cannon, Paula Conway, Deacon Correa, Miguelina Correa, Anna Evans, Carin Geoffrey, Darryl Geoffrey, John Kelley, Trish Lamagdeleine, Dora Lopez, Jennie McGiverin, Michael Moriarty, Mary Ellen O'Connor, Sr. Caritina Olmos, Fr. Francis Reilly, Christopher Robert
- b. Absent: Sr. Juana Maria Hernandez, Iliana Lopez, Sr. Cathy Ormond, Virgen Viera

3. Review and Acceptance of Minutes from Last Meeting

The minutes from the March 21, 2023 meeting were reviewed. An amendment to the Roll Call was proposed and made and the amended minutes were accepted. **OLD BUSINESS**

4. Parish Mission Statement Cards

Printed cards were given to volunteers from the council so that they could be distributed at all of the Masses the weekend of 4/1-4/2. For the foreseeable future, the mission statement will be read during the prayer of the faithful. It should also be posted on our website.

5. Council Guidelines

The Pastoral Council Guidelines have been finalized and will be reviewed periodically and changed when necessary. They will be posted on our website along with copies of our minutes.

6. Social Media

Work continues on our website. One of the goals will be to include a tool that allows a visitor to the website to choose which language (Spanish or English) they want to see the website displayed in.

7. Review Lenten Flocknote

For our first effort, the Lenten Journey was deemed a success with 30 people in the English group and 20 in the Spanish group and about 20 visitors to the daily posts on the website. As we consider other uses of FlockNote in the future (such as Pentecost Novenas or Advent Reflections) about 1 hour of preparation work was necessary for each post.

8. Master Parish Volunteer List

24 people signed up during our weekend Masses. This list will be maintained electronically and will be expanded to include other details such as What Mass they attend, limitations on volunteer opportunities (e.g. can't drive at night) and CORI/Virtus status. Mary Ellen O'Connor and Paula Conway will work on contacting the individuals on the list to confirm phone numbers and email addresses as well as other information. This list ties in with aspects the Time/Talent/Treasure drive around Thanksgiving.

9. Votive Candles – IC Chapel

We are receiving donations for candles which is being deposited regularly. The candles are being turned on prior to the masses at the chapel and turned off afterward. **NEW BUSINESS**

10. Parish Commission Discussion

The council broke up into the individual commissions to have a discussion about the goals of the commission, establish a chairperson and set a meeting date prior to the next council meeting. Chairpersons should provide a report at the next council meeting.

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11. Pastoral Plan

Louise provided the start of a working document for the pastoral plan. We will continue to develop this document to create a plan for the future of our parish.

12. CORI/Virtus/Safe Environment Discussion

The Diocese has certain requirements regarding volunteers to schools and parishes, in particular those working with children and vulnerable adults. On May 13, from 9:30-12, anyone needing to be CORI checked or to do the Online Virtus Training should go to OLOG Center where Jennie McGiverin and others will be available to help fill out the form, make copies of IDs and provide computer access to those who may not have one. Many members were unclear about the exact Diocesan requirements, so this will be investigated and clarified at the next meeting.

13. Comments for the Good of the Council

14. Next Meeting Particulars

May 9, 2023 – Tuesday, 6 PM

15. Closing Prayer

Fr. Reilly led a closing prayer

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40

Respectfully submitted for review, amendment and acceptance by Darryl Geoffrey, May 5, 2023