

Pastoral Council Minutes  
September 7, 2016

Present:

Fr Geoff Drew  
Chris Brown, Chair  
Brett Boutwell  
Andrew Burke  
Julie Duffy  
Kay Isacson  
Jerry Pater  
Marlene Palmatary  
Mary Ann Ridenour  
Kyle Schafer  
Yvette Schnegg  
Dan Torbeck  
Patrick Zink

Others:

Finance Council: Rich Tereba  
E & C: Bob Gloeckner  
Outreach: Annie der Boghossian  
PL & S: Jane Rowland  
Worship: Adriana Inman  
Building Services: Larry Witsken

Absent: None

Opening Prayer & Mission Statement

Reflection: Brett Boutwell

Lightning Round: Yvette raised issue of when to pull names for lay leadership. Pentecost was discussed as well as wanting the selection to be before the June meeting of PC so that new members could attend. Consensus: we will have it on Pentecost except for the 1 year in the next 6 when Pentecost falls after June 1.

PC in the Gathering Space: discussion of how the most recent one went. Fewer comments this time than in past.

1. Request to put translation of words we sing in Latin in worship aid. Fr will discuss with Jeremy.
2. Chairs in Gathering Space. Older parishoners need them. Larry advised that fire codes prevent us from having chairs and tables there at the same time as there is not enough room and also the difficulty in moving the chairs frequently. Fr referred the matter to PL& S and Worship Commissions.
3. Follow up process: Larry will talk with Lakme about a web solution for tracking comments and follow-up.

Council and Commission Intra-Leadership Responsibilities:

Discussion of Page 1 of Fr Geoff's handout from last month. Consensus was that it was good to have the same person from each commission and council attend PC meeting each month. We need to hear from Finance Council and the Commissions as to how they feel about it.

#### Parking Lot Safety Officers:

Fr Geoff suggested the possibility of having an off-duty police officer in the parking lot during the Masses 3-4 weeks before the election, due to the contentiousness of this year's presidential election. Rich suggested perhaps only 1-2 weeks before. We will try not to exceed \$1000 in total cost. We need to look into whether we need to have 2 officers. Fr will email us with what he finds out.

#### Naming of Rooms on Campus:

The possibility of naming the major rooms on campus – such as the Eucharistic Chapel as St John's Chapel after the Gospel of John and our founding pastor, Fr John Porter; the new chapel after the Militia founded by St Max, Immaculata Chapel, and perhaps the Fr Terry Smith Community Room. We will discuss further.

#### Process for New Ministry Application:

Chris thanked all for email input. Process need not take a lot of time in most cases. There have been delays in the past mostly due to miscommunication. The process has now been improved with the online form and cover letter.

#### Council/Commission Updates:

Finance: Rich thanked everyone who volunteered for the TWG Campaign. Pkg lot repairs to begin anytime. Debt to be paid as soon as we receive enough of the money from the campaign. A 10 yr budget plan is under consideration.

Worship: Adriana advised they are considering how many missionaries per year will be invited to speak at Masses. There will be a gathering in January after a Noon Mass to thank the Liturgical Ministers for their service.

Outreach: Annie reported a spirited discussion on tithing. They are considering a donation to the Louisiana flood victims; also considering creating an emergency fund. Another “Just Try It” event is being planned for 2017.

PL & S: Jane reported that they are focusing on formation. 2 members went to the conference in Wichita and will be giving feedback to PL & S. They have prepared a new document to crystalize the focus of the new Wellness Ministry; they will discuss it at next meeting and will then send it to PC.

E & C: Bob reported that they are planning the next Parish Mission for Mid-April 2017. He invites any volunteers on the planning of it..

Campus Safety Sub-Committee: Larry advised that he and Fr are working on it and will report.

Pastor's Report: Father summarized it, especially that as of 9/7/2016, the TWG campaign has received pledges of \$3,500,512, exceeding our minimum goal of \$3.5 million.

Final Reflections: Fr Geoff and all expressed what they are thankful for and what we accomplished at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Kay Isacson