

**St. Maximilian Kolbe Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes
November 8 2017**

Attendance:

- Andrew Burke – Presider
- Brett Boutwell
- Tom Collins
- Julie Duffy
- Chris Palac
- Marlene Palmatary
- MaryAnn Ridenour
- Kevin Walsh
- Tim Wurth
- Chris Zevallos

Absent:

- Yvette Schnegg
- Jerry Pater

Notable Others:

- Fr. Geoff Drew – Pastor
- Larry Witsken- Facilities
- John Monroe – Finance Council
- Lori Walters - PL&S
- Adriana Inman – Worship & Sacraments
- Kathleen Garrison - Outreach
- Lisa Kaine – Acting Secretary

Opening Items:

- Praying for Parish staff this month
- Formation: "Forming Intentional Disciples" by Sherry A. Weddell

Lightning Round:

- Adoration calendar sent around by Marlene.

Strategic Discussions

- 1). Plaza condition
 - Can't put down asphalt in winter.
 - Need to repair plaza now – temporary fix until ground breaking probably Spring 2019
 - Concrete in hourglass shape, mulch over the rest of plaza.
- 2). Driveways/entrances
 - Identify the problem: safety, people leaving early to avoid traffic issues.
 - Restricted by county engineer requirements.

- Possibility of right hand turn lane on Hamilton-Mason Road- Cost ~\$90,000. Consensus no on this suggestion.
- Secondary entrance on LeSourdesville-West Chester Road. Consensus to look into right of first refusal for land necessary for this option.

Committee Updates

- **Campus Safety Subcommittee (MaryAnn Ridenour and Larry Witsken)**
 - Have had a security consult.
 - Flip books of emergency procedures- examples passed around. Would only need to change some wording to make specific to St. Max. Books could be placed in rooms throughout the building.
 - Concern that we have no mass communication system.
 - Should we have a safety ministry?
- **PC Listening Sessions (Julie Duffy)**
 - Still awaiting responses from some commissions re comments/questions from last listening session.
 - Last listening session there were several questions/concerns about relocation of Rachel statue. Facilities and steering committees are looking at this.
 - Comment received about if there is a tactful way to announce that crying babies can be carried out if consistently unruly/disruptive. Not meant to keep children out of church.
- **Leadership Discernment (Brett Boutwell)**
 - Need new PC member (1st year) to join team.
 - Need 2 names from each commission by Dec 1 to participate.

Council/ Commission Updates

• Finance Council

- Total income \$3600 under budget as of October. \$5000 saved by not printing stewardship booklets.
- Expenses are \$88,000 favorable to budget.
- Approx. \$32,000 to be spent on replacing flat roof.

• Worship and Sacraments Commission

- Working on issue of shortage of host. Possibility of closing pews/sections.
- Town Hall meeting was canceled due to lack of participants.
- Preparing for Advent/Lent.

• Outreach Commission

- Stephen Minister talked at last meeting.
- Discussed common by laws.
- Tithing: Hurricane Relief Services, Hope's Closet, and Matthew 25 Ministries.
- Just Try It event to be held March 3-4. Possibility of corporate donations. Will have separate bags for men, women, children
- Update on Faith Alliance. Festival at St. Anne's for hungry children.

• **Parish Life & Stewardship Commission**

- Had some ministry leaders attend at last commission meeting – valuable input.

• **Evangelization & Catechesis Commission**

- Shifting emphasis towards Epiphany (Christmas sells itself).
- Discussed ways to communicate with new parishioners.
- Pam Begovich will look at common by laws.
- Faith Lessons for Moms has almost doubled in size this year.

Pastor's Report

- Discussed getting more people to attend Epiphany.