

St. Gerald Parish Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes –October 12, 2006:

Present: Missy Arana, Dan Buck (Vice-President), Ruth Guthrie (President), Becky Tometich, Kathy Valasek (Secretary), Jim Svoboda, (Kathy Hanson, Recording Secretary)

Also Present: Fr. Gary Ostrander, John Bolas

Absent: Todd Banchor, Darlene Sheridan, Leo Kochanowicz, and Dave Garland

I. OPENING PRAYER

II. GUEST Reports:

School Report: (Dave Garland) – *No Principal's Report this month*

III. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved.

IV. PASTORS REPORT: *No Attached Report this month*

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Stewardship (Todd Banchor) - *See Attachment 1: Stewardship Committee Oct 11 Meeting Minutes*
Additional comments

1. Stewardship drive Activity Sign-ups: Chris is going to compile the stewardship activity forms this year and is hoping to have them out to the PC members about 3 weeks after campaign. He asked that the PC members get them to the Committee heads in as soon as possible and follow up to see how it is going with each committee contacting prospective members. [OPEN ITEM].

B. Total Education Committee (Missy Arana) – *See Attachment 2, School Board Minutes*
Additional Comments

1. Use of Gym for All School Masses: Some concern with the mass in the gym being not as nice as hoped, but after discussions they are probably going to stay in the gym as planned.

C. Evangelization (Fr. Gary) - *No Committee Report this Month*

D. Family Life Committee (Dan Buck) - *No Committee Report this Month*

E. Finance (Jim Svoboda) - *No Committee Report this Month*

Archdiocesan coordinated management of funds through Merrill Lynch is being adopted by our parish/finance committee for some funds. Looks like the archdiocese was able to negotiate low fees for this. They will be running a 'monte carlo' analysis of our financial goals with these funds and how to best reach or exceed them.

F. Human Needs Committee (Darlene Sheridan) - *No Committee Report this Month*

G. Liturgy (Becky Tometich) – *See Attachment 3, Liturgy Committee Report October 9, 2006*

Members asked which churches are involved in the ecumenical service hosted by St. Gerald this year. We are thinking about asking the Chancellor for permission to have an earlier mass on Christmas eve so as to alleviate some of the large 5pm Mass concerns.

H. Maintenance (Leo Kochanowicz) - *No Committee Report this Month*

1. Playground was accessible for kids as of today

I. Social Committee (Kathy Valasek) – *See Attachment 4, Social Committee Report*

1. Parish Anniversary / Directory: Things are really getting rolling, especially on the directory. Discussed the little 'commemorative' issued items and it was suggested that we try to keep the prices of these down so people are able to get all of them for not too much money. Dance with DJ to be included on Sat night.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

See under VII...President/Vp Business

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

'Publishing Minutes' on agenda, not covered this time

VII. PRESIDENT/ VP BUSINESS: (Ruth Guthrie, President and Dan Buck, Vice-President)

- A. Goals 2006-2007/Retreat: *See Goals / assignments on Attachment 4 Brainstorming/Goal list* (Completed just through #13 during previous meeting. Notes on these activities/decisions are to be included in November meeting/minutes). [OPEN ITEM].
- B. Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (APC) – no update / comments this meeting
- C. New Committee List / Flow Chart: *See Attachment 5, Welcome Pamphlet and Attachment 6 from Sept Meeting Minutes, Committee Spreadsheet*

Add the following committees to the committee list, but not to the booklet:

- Landscape Committee – Under Maintenance
- Garden Committee – Under Total Ed
- Church Cleaning – Under Maintenance
- Website – under Stewardship for now
- Shelter Outreach – Under Human Needs; plus add appropriate subcommittee and names where appropriate as determined by Human Needs Committee/Rep.
- Church Decorating – Under Liturgy

Move the following Committees on the list and/or find out if they should be in the Welcome Pamphlet

- Boutique Committee – Move to Human Needs as that is where the fundraising goes
- Pro-life Committee – move to Family Life from Human Needs
- Pastoral Ministry - including Baskets to Funerals and Prayer Quilts under Human Needs with Kathy Valasek's name for now; Kathy V to determine if these groups want helpers
- Welcoming Committee – take this off for now, Stewardship to decide if there is a committee needed here in addition to what we are calling 'Registration' committee on the list.

The Following groups should remain on the list but should not be in the Welcome Book:

- Guardian Angel, Grief Ministry, Magi Program, and Registration

The Birthday and Anniversaries Group should be removed from both lists

President asked that PC Rep's review the list for appropriateness of these sub-committee assignments under their committees as well as to assure that we didn't miss any additional committees/activities that should be listed. Also, the PC member is to review and edit the Welcome Pamphlet synopses or write one where determined appropriate after discussing with committees as needed and obtaining email addresses for the committee heads (just for the master list of subcommittees for now) where available. Write-ups are to be submitted to Cheryl B at the office by Nov 12 if possible. [OPEN ITEM]

- D. Next meetings: Oct 9, 7 p.m. in School Conference Room

- E. CLOSING PRAYER / Adjournment