

St. Gerald Parish Pastoral Council
April 10, 2012

Present: Ryan Sevcik, Jamie Zabrocki, Mary Morss, Sharon Bissen, John Prosocki, Joe Kalina, Mike Rasmussen.

Absent: Joan Luebbert, Glen Bennett

Also Present: Father Owen Korte, Father Anthony Espinosa

OPENING PRAYER

I. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (March 2012): Approved as modified.

II. GUEST REPORTS:

Long Range Planning Committee: *No written report.*

- Reviewed the Goals and Objectives with the Pastoral Council.
- The goals will stay static; however the objectives may vary over time.
 - Goals: 1) To help people feel “at home” in our Parish; 2) To improve communications within the Parish; 3) To increase our evangelization efforts; and 4) To improve the financial state of the Parish and the viability of its property.
- There will be a review of progress on the goals quarterly with Parish leaders. There was discussion on when to meet. Fr. Korte suggested the 1st Thursday of each quarter, beginning in July 2012. If there is a conflict (holiday) the meeting will be cancelled. The facilitator will be the president of the Pastoral Council. Need to work on a standard agenda and what is expected as output of the meetings. Set up to be a sharing of information. If a participant is not able to attend, a substitute should attend. All areas of the Parish should be represented at the quarterly meeting.
- The goals and objectives will be discussed with the parish at the kick off for the Mini Campaign in April. The information will be shared at that time through a Homily.
- Mike R. made a motion to approve the goals and objectives, Mary M. seconded. Motion passed

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

School Board – John Prosocki. *No written report.*

- 44 children attended Kindergarten Roundup with 2-3 more expressing interest but not able to attend. Next year the school day will be extended:
 - K-2 – until 2:55 dismissal
 - 3-5 – until 3:05 dismissal
 - 6-8 – until 3:15 dismissal
- This allows for more teaching time (and possibly accreditation)
- April 12 – bids for the stage are due. Playground improvements will begin after school is out this spring.

Social Committee – Jamie Zabrocki, *No written report.*

- There will be a donut Sunday in April. Also, will have breakfast for the Catechists April 28th and May 5th with Mary Harper, and the first Sunday in May (May 6th) will be George’s Ordination and will have food and social after each Mass except 12 noon.

Parish Education – Sharon Bissen. *No written report.*

- Sharon provided updates regarding recent events.

Stewardship – Joe Kalina. *No written report.*

- Briefly discussed the mini campaign in April

Maintenance – Joan Luebbert (absent). *Summary of committee meeting.*

- No discussion

Liturgy – Mary Morss. *No written report.*

- Mary provided updates regarding recent events.

Human Needs – Glen Bennett (absent). *No written report.*

- No discussion

Finance – Mike Rasmussen. *Submitted February 2012 budget/actual analysis.*

- Mike distributed the February 2012 budget/actual analysis. There were no questions. Mike noted that the overruns should be offset by funds from the mini-campaign.

IV. PASTOR'S REPORT

- Mini Campaign – kick off at the end of April
 - The DeErcole's and Wachtler's will be the co-chairs – there will be numerous wine and cheese gatherings.
 - There will be a mailing at the end of May.
 - This is a one-year campaign.
 - Goal is \$250,000 to help with Parking, Stage, Lighting and other needed improvements.
 - This Campaign is named "Taking Care of our Home" – 365
 - Goal is to match the Klosterman estate donation.
 - There will be a short DVD for meeting with the donors. There will be another 5 minute DVD for use during Mass at kick-off.
 - By mid-June the drive should be wrapped up. Reminders for pledges will be sent Quarterly.
- Steve Luna is working on staff Job Descriptions. Father will use to help with possible moves and to aid with evaluations.
- 40 Hours was very successful.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- By-Laws for the Pastoral Council. Will continue to update. Discussed changes. John will update and bring to the May meeting for final approval.
- New Pastoral Council member: Mary Sheridan; Jared Franzluebbbers; and Joe O'Donnell.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- Pastoral Council Officers for next year:
 - President – Joan L.
 - President-Elect – John P.
 - Secretary – Mary M.

CLOSING PRAYER/ Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 10, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the School Library.

ST. GERALD PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Projects for 2011-2012

Project	Co-Ordinator	Status
Enhance Welcoming aspect	Mary Morss	Mary will research suggestions. Women's group has been formed with various activities scheduled.
Research parish council by-laws	John Prosocki	John has obtained a copy of the current by-laws. 3/2012 John made suggestions for changes. Presented at April meeting; members had suggested changes. Final copy to be presented at May meeting.
More Parish Council involvement in the budget process	Mike Rasmussen	Mike will try to get a 2-step process for PC approval of the budget. First pass of budget review will be at the February meeting. 3/2012 budget approved. COMPLETED.
Online prayer request/ church prayer basket	Jamie Zabrocki	Currently available on stgerald.org but still need a volunteer to coordinate. Advertise that prayer request book is in the Chapel.
Research scheduling software	Judy Haug	Cheryl has the software module. It has been updated and is available for viewing on stgerald.org. COMPLETED.
Long-Range Planning	Fr. Korte Ryan Sevcik	Wording for the Parish Mission Statement is being discussed. 3/2012 New Mission Statement presented and approved. COMPLETED.

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