

St. Pius X Catholic Church
Parish Council Minutes
November 6, 2017

St. Pius X Parish Council met on November 6, 2017, at 6 p.m.

Members present: Dennis Zoglmann, Larry Murphy, Jason Potts, Linda Dixon, Larry Freels, Suzanne Lee, Carolyn McCarty, Eddie Stallings, and Fr. Tom Buckman.

Members absent: Jill Campbell and Lucas Zoglmann.

Guests attending: Fr. Jason McClure, Amy Silvert, John McCarty, and Michelle Roberts.

The meeting opened with prayer.

The September 11, 2017, minutes were approved.

New members (Larry Murphy, Carolyn McCarty, and Eddie Stallings) were welcomed to the Council.

Fr. Jason McClure provided an orientation session for the Parish Council. This was beneficial for both the new members as well as those who have been serving for a year or more.

REPORTS

Families in Faith: Sr. Suzanne was unable to attend as she was out of town for a conference, so Fr. Tom led a discussion about Families in Faith. He reported that Sr. Suzanne has been invited by Bishop Medley to chair a new advisory group for the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation. In the past month, she and Fr. Tom met with Diocese of Owensboro's seminarians at the St. Meinrad School of Theology. Sr. Suzanne has also been making preparations for a health fair for the Burmese adults on November 11, 2017.

OCS Education Report: Amy updated the Parish Council on recent happenings at Owensboro Catholic Schools (OCS). This week is vocation week at OCS, and the OCS family has been discussing and praying for vocations. OCS is, once again, seeking a Director of Business Affairs, as the one who started in that position over the summer has resigned. First day of school enrollment was 1,282 students in grades K-8, which is down slightly from the previous year's number.

Financial Report: John McCarty reported the summary of income, expenses, and assets as of September 2017 as reviewed by the Finance Committee. September was a good financial month for both the parish and the daycare. Reviewing this summary generated a good discussion of how the parish's diocesan assessment is calculated.

Business Manager Report: Michelle Roberts provided numerous updates to the Parish Council. The stewardship process is progressing well. 60% of parish families have completed stewardship cards. With outside assistance, office staff have been working to improve the security of the PC/server network utilized for parish business. Parish staff have begun work on two charitable initiatives in which the parish participates around the holidays: Thanksgiving baskets (in conjunction with St. Vincent de Paul) and the Christmas giving tree. Tom Rhodes is going to be on medical leave beginning December 7, 2017. Parish staff and the Building and Grounds committee is developing a plan to ensure his duties continue to be performed while he is out for an estimate six to eight weeks.

Youth Report: Fr. Tom provided the youth report. This past weekend, 10-12 youth and two adults attended the middle school youth group retreat. Preparations have been made to send eight youth and four adults to the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis, IN, from November 15-19, 2017.

Koinonia: Preparations are under way for Koinonia, which will be held January 26-28, 2018.

Parish Picnic: Preparations continue for the 2018 parish picnic. The picnic committee met on October 30, 2017. They are currently, among other tasks, developing ideas for raffles and reviewing what worked and did not work at the 2017 parish picnic.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

PASTOR REPORT

Parish Council Listings: Fr. Tom distributed lists of the current Parish Council members. These lists included all members' contact information.

Picnic Committee Election: The Picnic Committee proposed inviting new members at the Weekend Masses in December in place of a Picnic Election due to the difficulty of finding new members.

Parish Council Office Election: The Parish Council elected officers for 2018. Chairperson is Dennis Zoglmann, Vice Chairperson is Larry Murphy, and Secretary is Jason Potts.

The meeting was closed with a prayer.

Next meeting: January 8, 2018, at 6:00 PM.

Submitted by: Jason Potts, Secretary