

Holy Spirit Parish Pastoral Council

June 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Present: Barbara Doughty, Conn McKelvey, Keith Hollenback, Logan Good, Kevin Nurre, Father Dave Wilkins, Father Dick Schlosser, Mary Wingerter, Mark Meyer (ad hoc member).

Absent: Kate Triplett, Paul Boland

1. Opening Prayer: Kevin read Hebrews 9:11-15. Discussion was followed by the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.
2. Approval of April 14th Minutes was made by consensus.
3. Picture Directory Discussion: Mark Meyer and Mary Wingerter have two weeks scheduled, August 25-29 and September 15-19. They have a list of volunteers. There will be a meeting in June with volunteers. The bulletin will begin advertising dates. The community can send in pictures from events through the year, councils, and committees. We are in need of a theme.
4. Continued Discussion of Use of Holy Spirit Church: Consensus was that it was reasonable to require that tickets are not sold on site. Father Dick recommended a written policy for all uses (weddings, receptions, etc.).
5. Staffing Issues: Aubrey Reardon will be full time (DRE, Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry). Cindy will stay with Elementary Formation and Christian Service/Social Justice. Mary Dupuis will go full time with Liturgy and Music with two days off during the week. Marriage Prep, RCIA, Missions, Retreats, and Adult Formation will be taken by Deacon Bill Medved as .25 FTE. The Volunteer Coordinator will need to be filled and could assist Karen with office work at a .25-.5 FTE. This is not yet set. There has been discussion of a development person from Holy Spirit Parish/Holy Spirit School/Central Catholic as one person. Right now we are working on a system of GF Central and HSCS with invitation to Our Lady of Lourdes (re: sports, transportation, athletic director, fundraising, development) while still keeping parish identity. The final meeting is in August with recommendations to the Bishop made at that time.
6. Tithing Loose Collection: The Finance Council has asked if 10% of the loose collection (unnamed) be applied to church collections and local charities. This would be >\$400 each month to donate toward special collections and charities. All agreed this would be a good use, with month by month decisions where money would go. Also think about 'Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund' in the envelope packet.
7. Updates on Cascade and Fort Shaw: Cascade is having VBS. They met with the finance representative there about 50/50 splitting the cost and it looks like it will work for this fiscal year. Fort Shaw has had water in the basement, but gutter extensions fixed the issue.
8. New Members for the Council: Keri and Ryan were discussed. Father will contact Hoppy. Barbara will contact two other women (Patty and Mary).

9. Tools for ReBuilding pages 57-75. Discussion related to people leaving and returning years later, being okay with that while still trying to show love and welcome. Comments were reflective and insightful. Overall, the book had a lot of 'take home' information about 'ReBuilding'. We're doing most of it already at Holy Spirit Parish.

10. Administrator's Report: Mark went over the budget compared to prior years, only raised by \$10K this year. Health insurance dropped due to adding priests to the plan the rest of the employees use. Religious Education budget was increased for young adult services.

11. Commission Reports: Religious Formation did not have a representative present to report. Worship Commission will be studying the Constitution of the Liturgy and adding a Eucharistic Minister of the Body to each side. Christian Service has several projects for next year, including brainstorming for a food pantry at school.

12. Thank-you Cards: Father Jay Peterson, Graduation luncheon, Larry Guilbault, Vi at HSCS.

13. Closing Prayer.

P.S. Father asked if we could time Communion at the Masses we attend and report back to him.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Doughty