

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2023-7:00 p.m.

Present: Fr. Fritz Valcin, Doug Cluxton, Steve Colahan, Tina Butler, Patrick Kusiak, Joanna Nunn, Rachel Beebe, Armando Prince, and Richard Hicks

1. Father Fritz opened the meeting with a prayer.
2. Richard Hicks was welcomed as a new member.
3. Reviewed and approved minutes from November meeting.
4. Leadership positions for the Pastoral Council were discussed with the consensus of having co-chairs which will be Doug Cluxton and Tina Butler. Steve Colahan will serve as recorder.
 - a. Cycle of terms on the Pastoral Council - should members be on a 2-year term and others on a 3-year term?
5. Conversation regarding the by-laws of Pastoral Council and how best to use the current by-laws within the current council and calendar/timeline of the council.
6. Mission statement was discussed, and it was noted that the current mission statement is not on the St. Francis web site.
7. A discussion of each Pastoral Council member submitting a brief (3-4 sentences) biography to be added to the website.
8. Documents regarding the governance of Pastoral Council through diocesan guidance and canon law were reviewed and discussed.
9. Initiatives of the Pastoral Council
 - a. Goals of the Leadership Council
 - b. Parish Mission during Lent 2024
10. The meeting was adjourned by a closing prayer led by Fr. Fritz.