

# Pastoral Council Minutes

September 21, 2022; 6:00 PM – Basement of Rectory

## Opening Prayer – Scripture Reading – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Lk 16:19-31 at 6:01 PM

**Attendees:** Rich Smail, Karma Coleman, Traci Snyders, Charles Mayfield, Angie Byers, Mark Wiederholt, Ashley Greeley, Russ Schuster

**Meeting Roles:** Timekeeper = Karma & Gatekeeper = Traci (cf. **Appendix6A** for Pastoral Council Meeting Roles)

## Last Meeting Minutes Approved without reading aloud (1 Minute)

**CGS – Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – Ad Hoc Team** (10 minutes): Russ asked that ONE person represent the Ad Hoc Team and report in their name. Karma volunteered to report on the progress since last meeting. The old Band Room, which was leaking, is being repaired while it is being used. All classes are scheduled for the school through Level 2. Mss Para, Blackford, and Renshaw will have finished their training at Level 1 in November. We need more people trained at Level 2, as right now only Michele Starke is trained and Megan Johansen is just beginning her Level 2 training. The suggestion was made that we have a position for someone who is trained in all levels to be able to lead any group with teachers assisting. This might be a paid position, part time. At this time there is no job description written for the position. Not clear if the Ad Hoc committee will write that description, or Megan Johansen would, or if finances will allow for this hire.

**Parish Financial Status** (10 Minutes) Angie reported that we were running our annual pledge drive at the same time as the diocesan ACA (Annual Catholic Appeal). We are calling it our Stewardship Renewal – something we have not done since the COVID epidemic. We used to do a drive in the spring, leaving ACA to the fall. Combining it with the ACA allows the diocese to absorb some printing and mailing costs, and it allows the donor to budget giving for the whole year. There was some concern by one member that term “pledge drive” would be confused with a capital campaign drive, but calling it stewardship renewal should help.. Angie also explained that instead of a Venmo account, we were going to use an app called MinistryOne, a step in including younger families and the way they do business. Finally, the idea of having a Development department to solicit will, bequests, and gifts as well as approach our alumni for donations was strongly suggested. This discussion ended with the comment, “Sometimes you have to spend money to make money.”

## Representation Reports (30 minutes)

- Maintenance -Mark Wiederholt had no news except that space was found for CGS and the boiler had not been removed yet from one of the rooms.
- Finance Committee – Charles Mayfield said that the Finance Committee had not met, but will soon.
- E-Team – Russ Schuster said that the name has changed to E-Team, E = Evangelization. The rest of the activity is in the minutes, **Appendix6B**.
- Knights of Columbus – Rick Smail reported that the K.of C. successfully sponsored the Parish Mission at a cost to them of about \$1k. They are sponsoring a Special Olympics Bocci Ball Tournament at Franklin Park with a meal at 5 PM. Tootsie Rolls would be given out around Halloween, as well as at the Parish Picnic on Oct. 9.
- PTO – Ashley Greeley reported that they had a “Meet and Greet” after the All School Mass on Sunday. The golf tournament was a success and the raffle is ongoing. Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Oct. 31. Nov 19<sup>th</sup> is the Auction, with tickets able to be purchased beginning Oct. 1. Trivia night is Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 2023.
- School Advisory – Traci Snyder met and agreed that we need a part time position for CGS and took a picture for the Directory.

## Upcoming Events (Up to 3 minutes each)

- Pictorial Directory Update by Russ: 90% done, hopefully have it in hand by December. Awaiting a couple of things yet.
- “The Search” at the Hangar – Beginning Sept. 20, 6:30 – 7:30 pm. First meeting had 35 – 40 people. Nice atmosphere, food and drink available, but not good for small groups. Remained one big one.
- Parish Fall Festival – October 9<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm. Hay ride on the property, goodie bag of candy to each. Cf. PTO report.

### **Possible Projects – Discussion** (5 minutes)

- Need for more space - Cafeteria, Playground, Maintenance Shed, Adoration Chapel & Locker Rooms. Russ suggested that we go to our groups and prioritize projects, for which he sent out a sheet (**Appendix C**). CGS has 2 issues: trained people and space. We have to find people to get trained to teach the upper levels especially. We are wanting to have permanent space (vs. Temporary now) for CGS classrooms. We are currently out of room, and wanting to give back the meeting room to the office staff and the bottom room in the office to the youth. We need first to prioritize what we need, then address the problems here and in Finance Committee. Cf. **Appendix6C**.

### **Future Needs Assessment** (5 minutes) These were done above.

- Needs/Wants
- Surveys

### **Next Meeting Date**

October 20, 6:00 pm (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month) – Parlor

### **Meeting Adjourned and closed with a prayer** at 7:09 PM.

**Closing Prayer:** Pour forth your Holy Spirit, O God, on all gathered here. Keep the gifts of your Holy Spirit active in our hearts and lead us always to use these gifts for the common good of our Church and world. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who gave us the gift of the Spirit, now and forever. Amen.