St. Odilia Parish Leadership Council (PLC) Meeting Minutes – Approved 8/16/22

Council: Parish Leadership Council (PLC)								
Date:	Tuesday, August 16, 2022			Time:		8:00 p.m.		
Chair:	Nancy Diekmann			Location:		St. Monica Room		
Meeting Participants:		Present			Pro	esent		Present
Francisco deMeireles		Х	John Hunt			Χ	Fr. Erich Rutten	Χ
Nancy Diekmann		Х	Teresa Marchek			Х	Rick Storms	Х
Joe Dodge			Karime Morales				Kathy Wiggin	Х
Greg Gerlach			Jean Nickman			X Fr. Brian Zuelke		Х
Troy Gregory		Х	Jose Parra			Х	Kat Coleman (Faith	Х
							Formation	
Karen Henningsen		Х	Ana Pesina			X Amy Etten (Recorder)		

Opening Prayer – Teresa Marchek	All
Reviewed minutes from July 2022 meetings – approved as amended	All
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Pastor's Report	Fr. Erich R.

Parish Visioning Update

- Key initiative and barriers: no unifying mission/vision pulling us together. So go with "Go and make disciples." Active component; we have a job to do.
 - o Is it a match for you/each council/etc.? Consensus discussion.
 - Worship felt the vision was not quite finished. Suggestion made to add "to serve God and one another."
 - o Stewardship add: Making Jesus known and loved (which is actually from the Archdiocese)
 - o Social Justice: Seeing all people in the image of God... element of human dignity
 - Meant to be directional and active; can and should review it each year.
 - Finance Council asked: How does this Vision change my experience on Sunday?
 - School Council spent most of their time on rebuilding community and drawing people back to Sunday Mass. Discussed ideas as PAA events after Mass; some Masses done by school classes, etc.
 - Faith Formation: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd starting at younger ages. Developing Catechist training; pull in sources from local colleges; Reach More.
 - Pastoral Care: Need something sustainable after Confirmation to keep people involved.
- Communicate these out as we are beginning new initiatives based on surveys and input and requests from others.
- Good consensus to add: Making Jesus known and loved
- Sunday Experience: What can we do to make it richer, fuller, more engaging by offering an info table, Emcee at beginning of liturgies, bringing back more children and family liturgies, etc.

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Administrator's Report

Rick S.

- Fall Festival basket: Drones, Digital Frame, Fishing stuff, etc. Nancy will take the lead and organize the PLC basket for Fall Festival.
- Bonus Agenda Item: Budget Approval
- Francisco shared budget showing deficit and emphasized there are key initiatives we are committed to; it could lead to financial paybacks in the future.
- Kathy made a motion to approve; Theresa seconded it. It was approved.

MAC Updates

Worship Council

Kathy W.

 Pampered Chef idea for Basket; looking at consultant for Worship space and Chapel space. If you know of someone who does this, talk with Kim. Trunk or Treat to be discussed later. Looking at ideas to get more people coming to Mass.

Pastoral Care

Karen H.

- Donation Bins:
 - July and August collections filling 6 cars have been delivered to three Drexel Mission Schools to date. The final collection on August 30, will also be available for any of the Latino Faith Formation needs then delivered to the three Drexel Mission Schools.
 - The September collection of baby diapers might be combined with the Baby Bottle Respect Life collection. Rick Storms is getting more info on the Baby Bottle effort.
- Community Garden Project:
 - So far tomatoes and cucumbers have been shared with St. Therese and Listening House. The first give away will be August 21 and will include donations from parishioners' gardens. The next give away will be September 18.
 - In September PCC will review what was produced and what will be planted next year. We hope to involve other committees with distribution. There is money in our budget for a third garden which could be managed by the Latino community.
- Discussion of Mission Statement in conjunction with the Parish Mission and Vision:
 - Preliminary discussions include a review of all our individual projects including Befrienders, Bereavement, Sarah's table, Feed My Starving Children etc. with the ideas of involving other MACs. Support of our elder community through cards and visits. Bringing in the younger volunteers for ministries including Feed My Starving Children and visiting St. Therese.

School Council Teresa Marchek

- First Meeting with new principal. Some enrollment fluctuations, which are normal. 576 students, 710 students with preschool.
- Focused on strategic plan. Great discussion on the Vision. Goals include:
 - Intentional connection to Sunday "pack the pews".
 - Form collaborative space plans with other departments.
 - Renew collaborative sacramental education with Faith Formation.
- Strong interest in connection with St. Peter Claver and working with Social Justice Council.

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Finance Council Francisco d.M.

- Finance Council reviewed and accepted June financial statements.
- As of June 30, 2022, end of FY22, contributions were \$82.6k better than budget.
- The Investment Policy Statement (IPS) for St. Odilia Short/Intermediate Term Reserve funds was reviewed and approved by the Finance Council.
- The IPS becomes official when signed by Fr. Rutten.
- The Investment Advisor can make investments, as agreed to in the allocation plan of the IPS, after receipt of signed IPS.
- Investments will be made in high grade with a portfolio target return of 3% per year, with minimal risk to principal.

Social Justice Council John H.

- Racial Equity ministry organizational meeting on August 17, program kick off September 22.
- Goals and Mission discussion. Align with parish vision and initiative. Use Archdiocesan resources (i.e, care for creation team).
- St. Peter Claver sister parish. Pursue more formal broad relationship.
- Upcoming plans, considering voter info/drive online (if we can tie to USCCB Faithful Citizenship, has to be completely non-partisan.) November 15.

Stewardship Ana P.

- Working/planning stewardship renewal drive. Last week of October, first two weeks of November.
- Contemplating theme "One Simple Step".
- Council goals are pending for next meeting.

Facilities	
Not present	
HLC	Jose Parra

• Fall Festival; may partner with Pastoral Care on Garden

Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 p.m.

Next PLC Meeting: September 20, 2022 Prayer: Karen Henningsen