

St. Michael's Church
Pastoral Council
Meeting Minutes for 02/07/17

Members present: Father Jeff, Chris Hasseler, Isabella Bailey, Gina Porter, Susan Smith, Brian Donnelly, Theresa McCue, Pat Albrecht, Lee Lauster, Joe Loson, Henry Hann

Members absent: Carmen Fantauzzi, Terry Clark, Carmella Owen, Joe Malach, Peter Voyt

Opening Prayer: Lee Lauster

The minutes from November 8, 2016 were approved

Old Business

- **Pastor's Report**
 - Father Jeff presented the Pastor's Report for February 2017. The complete report is included with the minutes of the meeting.
 - CMA Update - \$42,893 264 Donors
- **Parish Communication**
 - Father Jeff reviewed the status of the parish website
 - Bishop Matano presided over 10:30 Mass on January 8, 2017. A photo of the Bishop with Father Jeff and Pat Albrecht was added to the website
 - Saint Michael's now has a Facebook page
- **Name Tags**
 - A reminder was given to Council Members to wear name tags at Mass
 - Please remember to check the greeting rotation. If you can not attend please try to find a replacement
- **Parish Council Photos**
 - Gina is getting the final pictures and looking for frames

- **School Update**

- Father Jeff gave an update relative to the status of the school sale. Nothing new to report since the Pastor's Report. No new information is expected until April or May
- At this point we will maintain ownership of first two rows on north side of the parking lot
- This will have an impact on the Festival, but at this point it is too soon to determine the impact and put forth solutions
- The question was asked about what happens to the festival if/when the school is sold. This led to a significant discussion, most specifically on the rides.

- **Membership Terms for Council**

- A discussion regarding membership terms for the Council resulted in the decision to allow current members at the end of their terms to volunteer for a second term.
- If the Council member wishes to be considered for a second term, she/he will automatically be included with the pool of candidates for membership
- The process will be the same as previous years, with a drawing of names on May 21, 2017.

New Business

- **Follow-up of Joint Meeting of Parish Council, Finance Council and Staff (1.29.17)**

- General Overview: Pleased with turnout, Notes have been distributed, Video of meeting was sent out, Slides have been distributed.
- Consensus that we would like to extend and enhance community outreach.
- Many current programs and potential programs were mentioned and discussed including: Rosary or Prayer meetings to gather people, Prayer Chains, Women Retreat Days – Angels of Faith, Women's and Men's Retreats, Community Retreat open to all, Lenten Luncheons, 5th Encounter, Father Jeff's lecture series
- Desire to have Faith Formation in broad terms – Children and Youth, RCIA, Small Christian Communities, Adult Study

- Discussion of many ways to communicate with parish and community such as newspapers, posters, flyers and social media
- Further discussion will continue with a focus on Parish Council function and role in the above ideas.
- **Questions and Concerns**
 - Father clarified why the recent change in the singing of the Our Father. The version we have been singing (known as the Malotte, written by Albert Malotte) is a Protestant version. We are still singing the same tune, just the Catholic Version.

Closing Prayer: Lee Lauster

Next Meeting: April 4, 2017 6:30 pm, Church Hall

Opening Prayer: Gina Porter

Closing Prayer: Peter Voyt

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Hann