St. Michael's Parish

Pastoral Council

Meeting Minutes for 6/5/18

Members Present: Father Jeff, Joe Loson, Carmella Owen, June Sherman, Bridget Mann, Joe Malach, Terry Clark, Gina Porter, Isabella Bailey, Theresa McCue, Pauline DeCann, Lee Lauster, Peter Vogt, Rosemary Strub

Members Absent: Chris Hasseler, Hank Hahn

Opening Prayer: Theresa McCue

May minutes were approved.

Pastor's Report:

- Financial Report -Poor Fund We are making the handing out of gas cards stricter. Vouchers have been implemented with Save-A-Lot rather than handing out of gift cards directly to the individual. Vouchers will specify nutritious food only. No alcohol, energy drinks, etc. Vouchers will bill directly to the Parish from Save-A-Lot. Abuse of the handing out of cards initiated this change.
- Electric power for the school is still available but gas has been shut off. As winter approaches the pipes will be drained so they do not freeze and burst.
- CMA goal has been met.
- Newark Housing Authority is still interested in the school and has applied for and were awarded an \$800k grant. The Housing Authority still needs an additional \$6 million grant to do the rest of the work. This grant will be applied for by this December with announcements of winning grant applications the following March. We have an agreement that if the Housing Authority does win the grants and purchases the school building we will be able to rent space if desired. We still would have some use of the parking lot. This year the youth groups and children's faith formation will meet in the Parish Hall. Should St Michael's sell the school the asking price is \$190k.
- At the time of the Council meeting set up for the Festival was beginning. Volunteer opportunities are still open.
- Faith Formation opening- Two individuals came forward interested in the position. After discussions both individuals declined further interest.

Wayne County Regional Planning:

- The regional planning group, supported by Father, is asking everyone to participate on an on-line survey regarding ministry needs and wants. The survey does not cover the different options for re-alignment. Survey ends June 30. The overall time frame for the planning group committee is one year but changes may not occur until sometime after that. There is no time table for implementation. One of the two options being put forth is for St. Michaels to stand alone. If this is the final decision then it is possible that within a few years the planning group would be formed again to develop new options.

New Business:

- We are currently sharing a Finance Director with Penn Yan. Beginning soon we will have a new Finance Director, Mary Capone, who also works with St Joseph the Worker Parish. Gary is still in place here at St Michael's until June 30th.
- New Members were given their name tag and asked to provide a picture for the gathering space.
- Election of Officers: Chair: Carmella Owen. Vice Chair: Peter Vogt. Secretary: Primary-Joe Malach, Back up- Lee Lauster.
- Will there be Cantor training? Father to discuss with Tim.
- During the summer months there is no official greeter schedule. Council members are asked to serve as greeter if they are available and no one else is doing so at the Mass they attend.

Next Meeting: September 4, 2018 6:30 PM Church Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Lauster