

Pax Christi Pastoral Council Minutes

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Father Joe Keefe,

First Officer: Miguel Paz,

Members present: Pat Fallon, Gene Plutowski, Randy Horlocker, Greg Sherman

Members absent: MaryEllen Tanka

Parish Trustee: Teresa Silker, Pete Streit

Guests: Mike Burns and Tim Haskamp

OPENING PRAYER

The Gospel according to Matthew was read by Pat Fallon and discussed by members.

OLD BUSINESS

1. NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH PROJECT.

Social Justice reps, Tim Haskamp & Mike Burns, proposed a “neighborhood garden plot project” using the church grounds. This project would be run by the Social Justice group as part of the new Pax Neighborhood outreach ministry. The project would invite neighbors to use the church grounds to have/maintain their own garden plots. The Pastoral Council voted unanimously to support further research and development of the project. Tim and Mike will report back to Council at the Nov meeting with additional details.

2. Pax Christi Pastoral Council: Fulfilling the Parish Vision, Strategic Planning 2008.

- a. Greg & Randy summarized the data that was collected during the Council Retreat.
- b. The Pastoral Council then:
 - i. Refined the data. Additional thoughts and priorities were discussed. The intent is to set forth a plan for the parish for the next 7 years. The council worked to formulate a draft of 4-7 goals for each initiative set at retreat.
 - ii. Set tentative dates to draft measurements and indicators.
 - iii. Began to discuss work plans and approaches to fulfilling the goals.
- c. A meeting to continue work on strategic planning will be held by the Pastoral Council in early Nov.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A memorial in honor of a former council member was discussed. Pete Streit to do the follow up work in contacting past and present council members.

THANK YOU NOTES

1. To Jenny Vinski for her work in coordinating meals for families in need.
2. To Gail Keidel for her work in coordinating funeral dinners.
3. To the Social Justice committee for their extra efforts in a parish neighborhood outreach project.

CLOSING PRAYER

The closing thoughts were presented by Teresa Silker.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Wagner
Recording Secretary.