

Pax Christi Pastoral Council

Tuesday, August 16 , 2011

Minutes

Members Present:

Council:

Greg Sherman
Randy Horlocker
Zeljko Bajzer
Sally Burns
Tom Speltz

Parish Trustee:

Pete Streit
Teresa Silker

Parish Administrator:

Mark Oldenberg

Pastors:

Fr. Fogal
Fr. Pratap

Old Business

Welcomed Fr Fogal and Fr Pratap

- Confirmed the Staff/Council Picnic would be Aug 25.
- Finalized plan for a Ministry Leader Meet and Greet to be held Sept 7 from 6:30-8:00pm in the dining hall. Mark will arrange light snacks and beverages. The council will extend an invitation to the ministry leaders (calling tree has been distributed). There will be a brief program and then time to get introduced.

National Night Out Recap

- Mark provided a recap of the National Night Out. Once again the event was very successful with 267 people who signed in. There was local business and police and fire department participation.

Prayer Garden

- Mark and Randy provided an update on the prayer garden. The garden plans have been adjusted to fit within the exact amount currently donated specifically for this purpose. It is targeted to be complete before winter. Additional parish communication will be forthcoming.

Virtus Training

- The staff and those involved with ministries for children or the vulnerable will undergo the Virtus training. Members of the staff have been trained to teach the class and a series of class offerings have been scheduled. See Parish Calendar. Work is

proceeding to notify appropriate volunteers about the new requirement and the availability of the training. <http://www.virtus.org/virtus/>

Upcoming Social Justice Happenings

- Sally told us about several upcoming events at Pax or in our community. See the website parish calendar for details.

New Business

One Heart / One Mind Program

- Katherine Sherman and Alicia Karls presented their YTM (Youth in Theology and Ministry) project proposal. They will be providing interactive classes on the 7 Catholic Social Justice teachings. They covered the details of the program. The council was very supportive and asked if Zach could see if it could be tied into our education programs to ensure there was strong awareness and participation (perhaps as a required part of confirmation).

Youth Ministry Strategic Goals

- Zach presented the outcome of the youth ministry strategic planning and goal setting. See separate attachment for goals and actions.

Young Adults Program

- Zach also presented the new young adults ministry. Information on the program was on the cover of the bulletin. See separate attachment for details.

Review of Strategic Initiatives

Council

- We reviewed our strategic initiatives with Fr. Fogal and Fr. Pratap. We took them through the communication provided to the parish at the end of 2010 which included our 2010/2011 goals.

The Next Meeting will be Sept 20

Misc Action Follow Up (may or may not have anything to discuss)

Website Plans – multiple phases

Mark /Greg

Youth Center Board Update

Greg

Parish-wide Faith Formation Subcommittee

TBD

(Initial focus group held and input documented. Next steps to be determined after the arrival of our new pastor)

Prayer Garden Committee

Randy/Mark

Explore ways to link the Catholic Social Teaching YTM project to the year's faith formation project.

Mark/Zach