

# Pax Christi Pastoral Council

Thursday, December 30, 2010

The Sherman Residence

## Minutes

### **Members Present:**

#### **Council:**

Greg Sherman, First Officer

Julie Andrist

Gene Plutowski

#### **Parish Trustee:**

Teresa Silker

Pete Streit

#### **Parish Administrator:**

Tiago Maymone

#### **Guests:**

Paula Sherman – provided wonderful treats and helped answer a few questions in our parish youth discussion.

Opening Prayer

Gene

### Old Business

Youth Program Update and Parish Appeal

Tiago and Greg

- Greg updated the council on the request for an appeal to the parish that came from the youth board.
- Greg and Randy delivered the appeal at the masses the weekend of Dec 11 and 12. The slides used for that appeal will be distributed to the Pastoral Council. The appeal started with an overall request for ministries in the parish to work together. The appeal then talked to specific needs of the youth programs. Unfortunately severe weather led to relatively poor attendance at those masses.
- The youth board has asked us to repeat the appeal and focus specifically on the needs of the youth programs. After much discussion, the council agreed that it would be more appropriate for the youth board or Fr to deliver such a specific appeal. It was felt that the Pastoral Council giving a very specific appeal for a specific ministry or program might set a precedence that is hard to follow. Instead, Greg will speak to Fr Joe about having him or the appropriate members of the Youth Board deliver the appeal.
- We discussed the appeal content and felt it should focus on three requests
  - Individuals willing to be part of a “Social Event Organizing” committee that will coordinate the St Valentines and St Patrick’s Day social events (which are used to raise money for the youth programs).
  - The ongoing needs for mentors, teachers and chaperones.

- The need for additional financial support to support the growth we want to see in our youth programs. (Tiago offered that this may need to come later as there have been several financial appeals in recent weeks.)

## Ministry Networking Event

Tiago

- We discussed the work Tiago is doing to outline and categorize the parish ministries. In that work he is addressing web site content and which ministries should be part of the ministry moments. He said he should have his outline done for discussion at January's Pastoral Council meeting. This will include a target date for the ministry networking event. Tiago is already working on how to conduct such an event. The council provided ideas for his consideration.

## Council Membership Update

Greg / Fr Joe

- Greg will follow up with Fr Joe to determine if James is going to join the Pastoral Council.
- We should determine exactly who is leaving the Pastoral Council this upcoming summer so we can conduct appropriate succession planning. Pete reminded us that Fr. Joe has stated that while he asks for a minimum of two years of service on the council, he is willing to have members stay on as long as it is mutually agreeable.

## Closing out Open Actions

Council

## New Business

### Open Forum

Council

- There was a question brought up about the parish overall strategy and plan for faith formation of all ages. Tiago said Fr. is doing work in this area starting in January. Tiago also discussed the upcoming School of Community sessions being organized. The council agreed to put this on the January or February agenda to discuss this further and understand the parish strategy and plans for faith formation.
- It was brought up that the bulletin does not have clear communication about Holy Day masses. Tiago will look to rectify this.

### Next Meeting – January 18

Council

Jan Closing Prayer - Pat

### Appreciation / Thank you notes

Greg

We would like to thank:

- Those that decorated the church for Christmas.
- Those who coordinate the Christmas music.

### Closing Prayer

Greg

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

Naming of Parish Rooms  
Andrist

Teresa Silker, Julie

Website Plans – plan leading up to Ash Wed Launch

Tiago Maymone

Youth Center Board Update

Julie Andrist

Ministry Outline, Plan and Networking Event

Tiago Maymone

Faith Formation Strategy and Plan Discussion

Fr. Joe and Tiago