

Church of Saint Mary Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Steve Russell at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Sonya Skinner (3), Dan Hilback (3), Steve Russell (2), Megan Bristow (2), Mike Sponsler (1), Tabatha Odens (1), Mary Jane Reif (1), Todd Wentworth, Francie Peterson.

Absent: Father Steve, Tammy Huss (3) and Dawn Houska (2).

Opening Prayer

Todd led the opening prayer.

Agenda and Minutes

The agenda for the March 22nd meeting and the minutes of the February 22, 2018 meeting were approved by consensus.

Purpose of Pastoral Councils – Steve Russell and Tabatha Odens led discussion on chapters 9 and 10 of “Making Parish Councils Pastoral.” Mike Sponsler will lead discussion on Chapter 11 in April and Mary Jane Reif will lead Chapter 14. (We will skip chapters 12 & 13).

Administrative Report - Todd Wentworth reported the budget has been finalized to present to the Finance Council for approval. The Board of Education finalized 2018-2019 tuition which will also be presented to the Finance Council for approval. A bequest was received and will be used to update Sanctuary lights and chairs in the Great Hall. **Formed** (an online website offering Faith Formation for the entire family) subscription has been purchased for one year. This will be advertised in the Easter Sunday bulletin. The bulletin will also have a new look starting Easter Sunday. It will be printed in color and is now being printed in house, at a great savings to the parish.

Church Policies – Todd Wentworth presented two areas of Policies to review: Policy Implementation and Facilities Use and Rental Policy, with noted changes to each. Discussion held by council and changes recommended. Todd will update policies and email out for approval. If further discussion is warranted, it will be held at April meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Cemetery Committee- Steve Russell.
Minutes of their last meeting were reviewed.

Liturgy Committee – Tabatha Odens.
Tabatha noted there are several speakers and liturgical celebrations taking place in April.

Justice, Peace, Integrity of Creation Committee - Tabatha Odens and Dawn Houska.
Minutes of their last two meetings were reviewed.

Stewardship Committee- Tammy Huss – No Report.

Board of Education Committee- Sonya Skinner.
Minutes of their last meeting were reviewed. Sonya reported the Board of Education needs two new members for fall of 2018. The BOE would like to have a representative from the area of Adult Faith Formation.

Parish Life Committee- Megan Bristow and Mary Jane Reif.

Minutes of their last meeting were reviewed. A calendar of events for the next year was also provided.

Evangelization Committee – Mike Sponsler and Tammy Huss.

Mike reported on their recent meeting and that proposals will be made.

Finance Committee- Todd Wentworth and Dan Hilback.

Todd reported on new bids received to replace the church air conditioning system.

Human Resources Committee- Todd Wentworth.

Todd noted tuition increase to adjust teacher salaries to 90% of District 206 salaries.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Todd reported on the current status of Diocese of St Cloud and the Chapter 11 Reorganization.

The next pastoral council meeting will be held Thursday, April 26th, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Sonya Skinner
Recording Secretary