

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 24 October 2018

This Parish Council Meeting followed Fr. Mark's presentation on Leadership Styles/Fr. Mark's Style of Leadership/ his vision for the direction of the Parish. All are welcome.

Parish Council Meeting: Attendees: Fr. Mark, Sandy Gemach (Chair), Deacon Bob McGahran, Antonio Tranquilino, Giselle Bawab, Jack Semanko, John Ingraham, Marie Frost, Diane Nagle, Sheila Dunn.

Parishioners at Large: Rita Canfield, Lucille and Joe Nazzario plus three additional Parish Members. Absent: Jane Moore, Neil Nucci, Peggy Dotson

Fr. Mark opened the meeting with a prayer. Meeting minutes from the prior council meeting (May 23, 2018) were approved.

Old News: Sandy Gemach

- Plaque was presented to Mary and David Biesack
- Lights are up and running
- Question about "Standing vs Kneeling" after Communion--Fr. Mark explained this at his session and it will be published in the Church Bulletin.

Financial Report: Jack Semanko

- Jack reported about financial situation especially after Hurricane Florence.
- Fr. Mark and Bob Hack will be completing job descriptions.
- BAA has the same goal as last year-\$164,235. A different approach will be taken, further discussion will follow. BAA will begin the end of January.
- There is a hold on new carpeting in the Gathering Space.
- Discussion on the collections of All Soul's Day and St. Brendan Ministries.
- Finance Council will meet again in December
- Announcement of new Finance Council Member--Lucille Nazzario due to the resignation of Annie Troutman.

Hispanic Community Report: Antonio Tranquilino

- Youth Group is very successful.
- Hispanic Sunday Fund Raising Lunch-a success!
- Preparations are being made for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe scheduled for Tuesday, December 11 beginning at 7 PM (Mass)
- Mexican Festival scheduled for May 2019.

Parish Committees Reports:

Health Awareness : Jane Moore/Peggy Dotson- NO REPORT (absent)

Garden Committee: John Ingraham

- John reported: good harvest/the mid-August planting-unsuccessful
- November 30-next meeting with the committee to evaluate.

Scholarship Committee: Peggy Dotson (reported by Sandy Gemach)

- It was a success!
- In this year's budget-\$12,000 to continue this Scholarship.
- Fr. Mark suggested to form a Committee that Peggy trains to help with the "behind the scenes" activities.

Craft Fair: Marie Frost

- The date for this event is December 1 and 2 and the entire room is booked!

Faith Formation Report: Diane Nagle

- The first class, October 7, was a success!
- This year we have 270 children registered and counting/ 19 Catechists/High School helpers to aid the teachers.
- We are doing our best with our classroom facilities and the dividers in the five classes that are in Brendan Hall are working!
- A special thanks for the beautiful blessing to the children at the 11 AM Mass on that day by Fr. Mark. Deacon Tom will continue the children's homily each Faith Formation Sunday.

Confirmation: Peggy Dotson

- Peggy Dotson sent word that she has 31 students in the Confirmation class this year.

Music Ministry Report: Sandy Gemach

- Sandy reported that new members are needed for the choir.
- Sandy reported that because of the addition of new choir members, we are in need of more space—to be discussed at a later date.
- Change for Sanctuary Choir rehearsal time on Tuesdays. It is now 6-8 PM.
- Cantata is scheduled for Sunday, March 31, 2019- 3 PM. The title: “This is God”.

Comments:

- Announcement that Kathleen Donaldson resigned from Council due to husband’s illness.
- Giselle Bawab discussed having another “Pot Luck” dinner. It was suggested to plan this for January or February.
- Kathleen Donaldson will continue with her ministry of Sanctuary Enhancement Committee and Fr. Mark will research replacement for this ministry.
- Fr. Mark would like to discuss and “brain storm” about the Parish Building Project, Parish Council Elections at the next Council meeting.

Fr. Mark ended with a prayer. Next meeting-December 5 at 6 PM.