

## St. Brendan Pastoral Council Meeting 8 September 8 2022 Minutes.

**Attendees:** Father Mark, Sandra Gemach (Chair), Marie Frost, Jim Carmody, Maria Paslick, Maury Paslick, Sandra Nelson, Teddy Altreuter, Bob McGahran, John LeFebvre and Jack Semanko. Excused: Bob Blanchette, Ada Flores, Ginny Grant, Deidra Bumbera

1. Father Mark opened meeting at 9:30 AM with a prayer. Minutes from the June 9, 2022 meeting were approved through Email vote.
2. Finance Report - Jack Semanko reported that we are holding our own in the finance department, however, we need to increase the income due to rapid inflation which may cause people to cut donations. Cost of supplies is also going up. We are not going to buy the drop screens which were discussed at a previous meeting. The bid price was \$59,000. We considering 2 large TV screens to be mounted instead. Getting power to them is in the works. We have 2 old HVAC units which will soon need to be replaced. We are currently screening the applications for the 2 part-time positions: Receptionist and Communications Coordinator. The Columbarium is scheduled to be completed in October around the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>. Sound masking for the confessional has been approved. The necessary work for the sprinkler systems and cracks in parking lot has been approved. We have used up all savings for the new building, per diocesan guidelines. Original amount of the loan was \$1.6 million but due to Naming Opportunities and the generosity of parishioners, an additional \$500K has been donated to the Building Fund, so the loan at this point will only be \$1.1M. We saved \$77K on interest so far for the 10-year loan. Completion is expected on Sept 20<sup>th</sup> with a walk through on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>. (*Note: after this meeting the new date of completion is mid-October.*) After each mass on Oct 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> (*Note: now Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>*) we will have an Blessing Ceremony at the end of each Mass, followed by Open House. Pastoral Council reps will be in the front lobby to greet people after each Mass.
3. Elections for Council – Teddy Altreuter supplied copies of the Candidate Application, and a description of what a Pastoral Council does. We discussed where and when to submit applications which can be picked up at the Stewardship Desk in the Gathering Space. Deadline for submission of nominations is Sunday 20 November. Election will be the first week of December. Four people will be elected. At our next meeting we will determine how we will get the parishioners to vote.
4. Faith Formation – Maria Paslick announced that there will be a strategy session on Sept 18, 2022 at 10:30. Diane Nagle submitted information for the 2022-2023 Family-Centered Faith Formation. It begins on October 2, 2022 for grades Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The new time is 9AM to 10:15 AM. There are 150 students registered this year.
5. Ideas for Social Out Reach Ministry – Teddy Altreuter provided handouts to review and come back at next meeting to discuss.
6. Music Ministry – Sandy Gemach reported that the choir has started back, and they have 2 new accompanists. They will cover for each other. This year in place of the Cantata they will be doing a Tenebrae Service.
7. Comments/Questions – The Enhancement Committee is planning something new for All Souls Day.
8. The remaining 3 months meeting dates are, October 6<sup>th</sup>, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, and December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
9. New elected members will begin in January 2023.
10. Father ended meeting with a closing prayer.

