

**Pastoral Council Minutes  
June 19th, 2018**

In attendance were: Chad Archer, Father Terry, Joe Ferlita, Luis Gutierrez, Bob Keller, Bill Leece, Barb Knuth, Andy Konopka, Mike Myers, Bernie Schaffer.

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by Chad Archer.

**I. Mission and Faith First**

- Bill Leece read the opening reflection by Richard Rohr.
- The Vision and Mission statement was recited by all.

**II. MISSION EFFECTIVENESS AND PULSE OF THE PARISH**

- A discussion was started by Luis as he attended a service at Willow Creek. There was mention of what they do during the week and followed up on Sunday. He was welcomed. They have had until now the luxury of constant leadership by Bill Hybels. It will be interesting to see if the new pastors can keep the consistency. The current teaching pastor has fabulous homilies but different from HF. It doesn't feel like church. It is entertaining, with cameras and lighting. We get some people back as they miss the Eucharist. It is embedded in Catholics.

**III. Approval of Council Minutes**

- Correction made - Let's spend the next 30 days observing at other places and note the type of experience.
- Luis moved to accept the corrected minutes. Bernie seconded it.

**IV. Pastor's Report**

- Welcome back Fr. Terry
- He had so many things to share with us.
  - Father wrote Stations of the Cross for athletes.
  - Is going to incorporate "Because the mass never ends" (we will say it at the beginning also)
  - While in Montana airport decided about a boarding pass. It is something you do not get rid of. Pass should be the way to prepare for a sacrament. It's something you KEEP.
  - Father experienced total disconnect in the elevator when two employees completely ignored him and the connection of a server thanking him for accompanying her that morning.
  - Bernie added when you say hello to someone and use their name they are more likely to introduce themselves by name. It builds a personal bridge. When you actually get back to someone it shows sincerely.
- Sheri DeLuca is so helpful as she acts as a spotter when Father needs help.
- Give something tangible. Father had 4th graders write a prayer for a couple getting married. They loved doing it and the couple was very moved.

- Share God's Joy - MAKE MORE OF YOUR TALENT!
  - Lenten Social Justice - \$103,134.00 donation split between Strong Futures Program and Peace Corner. On alternating years we want to keep donations closer to home.
- Parish staff strategic planning
  - August 6, 7 and 8
- Academy enrollment 525 - 74% stay at HF from preschool.
- 40 HF parishioners attended Peace Rally at St. Sabina.
- Spirit Camp going strong.
- The celebration of the Eucharist should help us make many connections with life.

#### **V. Observing Hospitality Follow-up**

- SO BE:
  - 1. CONSISTANT
  - 2. INTENTIONAL
  - 3. SINCERE
- Encourage. Everyone is a hospitality minister. Open doors. Welcome outside.

#### **VI. Other Needs**

- Requests for Directors to present to Council
  - July - Bernie (Operations and Development)
  - August - Kate (HFCA International Baccalaureate)
  - September - Peg (Family & Teen Faith)
  - October - Gene (Music & Worship Technology)
- Bernie - Building committee update
  - West side second floor windows replaced
  - Carpet replacement
  - Rectory. New ductwork in ceiling. Water retention in floor ducts no longer
  - Security cameras
  - Ten pear trees to be removed from courtyard. Have Red Blight
- Barb - Paved bricks. 12 x 12 no longer made. Ray suggested Barb purchase 111/2 by 111/2. He will remove the pavers under the benches, replace with smaller ones. Will give us 60 more of the 12 x 12 s. Knuth donated 60 pavers.
- NO RUMAGE SALE
- Family Fest. September 16 - 6th grade and under
- Hops on the Vine - September 22. Inside. Tuscany theme. Martini Bar
- Only 1 raffle for both Family Fest and Hops on the Vine
- Starting to gather names for new council members.

Joe Ferlita gave a closing prayer - A Step Along the Way: Archbishop Oscar Romero's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Barb Knuth