

**Pastoral Council Minutes
August 18th, 2018**

Council members in attendance were Andrew Konopka, Chad Archer, Mike Myers, Bill Leece, Joe Ferlita, Barb Knuth, Bernie Schaeffer, Bob Keller, Tony Piasecki, Luis Gutierrez, Jack Shedd, and Fr. Terry Keehan. Special Guest Sue Geegan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M. by Chad Archer.

I. Mission and Faith First

- Bob Keller read from Psalms Chapter 4.
- The Vision and Mission statement was recited by all.

II. MISSION EFFECTIVENESS AND PULSE OF THE PARISH

- Barb Knuth thought the mention of support for Willow Creek was good.
- Bernie, the Academy energy is good with heir new accreditation.
- Luis updated on the effort of Kid Church's effort to provide a better education for mom's on Adam's Apple as the next step for children who will hit the Kid Church age limit. Meeting being set-up on May 14th to further the discussion.
- Chad mentioned Splashfest was a hit.
- RCIA numbers are low (3 or 4). The Deanery recommends that thru the Academy we invite people to join the parish. Many non Catholics at Kids Church. Fr. Terry is going to try to reach out there.
- The Eucharistic Ministers need to take better direction from the Ushers.

III. Approval of Council Minutes

- Mike Myers moved to accept the minutes. All approved.

IV. Business Manager Update (Fall Fest)

- Dean Dalaly and Julie Siska are chairs of Fall Fest. Linda Longmeyer is responsible for Sponsorship.
- Even will feature food trucks, dunk tanks, trackless train, etc. Sunday after 11:00 AM Mass, 12:00 - 4:00 pm.
- Hops on the Vine is focused to be the fund raiser. September 22nd, 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM. Road to Tuscany. Jane Vincent running the raffle \$20,000.00,
- Underwriting of events is available.

V. Strategic Planning

- Leadership Team met and came up with specific goals. What do you plan to get out of the process. Values, Common Vision and Purpose, with a renewed focus.
- Good sense of accomplishment. Worked very hard, little break time complete SWOT analysis.
- Articulate our vision, mission and strategy. Specific action items.
- 3 Strategic Goals, 1) Launch our New Strategy (Ro Geisler), 2) To Reimagine our Sacramental Practice (Fr. Rich), 3) Leverage Technology (Bernie Schaeffer)

VI. Pastor's Report

- Lots of anxiety over the Grand Jury Report from Pennsylvania. Holy Family has created a Facebook response and the holding of a Prayer Vigil "The Quiet" the evening of August 30th at 6:00 PM for anyone who wishes to pray against violence of any kind.
- Renew my church will have a summit October 1st, and 2nd., Ro, Fr. Terry, Bernie, Sue Geegan and Chad will attend.
- Family and Teen Faith kickoff is September 9th. Enrollment is strong and slightly ahead of last year.
- We will continue our conversation with Catholic Extension Society and investigating issues and concerns at the US Mexico border.

VII. Church Governance

- There was general discussion on the Pennsylvania grand jury report and issues at Willow Creek. How would we prevent this? How would we react?
- Much of the grand jury report is old news as 90% of all events happened before 2002. The bigger issue is the cover up. "The coverup is worse than the crime".
- The lack of transparency by the Lead Pastor and the Elders at Willow Creek led to their resignations.
- The Church needs a reconciliation process.
- Do we have a hot line or a way for parishioners to report issues?

VIII. Other Topics

- Deanery meeting is August 19th, 2018 (Chad).
- Inverness Police are here for Wednesday morning school Mass, a deterrent.
- Updates for Lenten projects are on the website.

Barb Knuth gave a closing prayer

There being no further business, Chad Archer adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jack Shedd.