

Pastoral Council Meeting

January 16, 2018

Attendees: M. Klebe, A. Dunne, M. Hull, T. Shea, P. Streit, T. Silker, Fr. Thompson, Fr. Fasnacht, M. Sieg

Opening Prayer: Would you leave it all and go when called? Foreshadowing of the fulfillment prophecy. "Come follow me....."

Update: Young Adult Ministry representatives Dana and Ethan Heisen reported on the activities of the members of this group. Focused on inclusion and variety the activities are open to single and married individuals. Faith-based activities are core to this group. Bible study groups, evolved educators for Confirmation candidates, fellowship and social activities are numerous. Focus on the Young Adult Ministries was a point of emphasis which arose from the last Vision/Mission Planning exercise. The members of the council thank the representatives for their work and enthusiasm.

Minutes: Approved with 3 corrections. Substitute "We are hosting" for "Would we be open to..."; Strike "1 from sentence regarding infant baptism; Strike "who need to be confirmed" and substitute "eight people who are preparing for Confirmation."

Continuing Business: See attached report for Pax Christi Campus Upkeep and Improvements from January 2018. In the future these reports will be e-mailed ahead of time to be read prior to our meetings. Kara Peterson has resigned. Her replacement is being sought. Financial report includes revenue up 8% over last year and Pax's CMA goal is \$103,000 for 2018. Virtus training is due. The update is on line. Letters of reminder have been sent.

Alpha: 5 Teams will implement on February 14, Ash Wednesday. There is a training meeting scheduled for January 18, 2018. St. James Coffee House will be the site of one of the groups who will meet on Sunday when the shop is closed. There is a world Alpha meeting in Phoenix but none of the staff are scheduled to attend.

Mission/Vision: The Listening sessions have been delayed to February. There will be a meeting to test the process and members of the Council who have to date not been involved are asked to attend. Consensus is January 23rd will be the date for a trial run for the sessions. M/V group consensus is that this is a key process and because of it's potential value, should be executed well.

New Business: New parishioners will be welcomed after the 9 a.m. Mass on Donut Sunday. Council members are invited to attend. There will be a change in the March 20th meeting for the Council due to conflict with the Communal Penance service scheduled for that night. There was a brief discussion regarding the future of the Council meetings, frequency, focus, and agenda content. The role of the Pastoral Council as the strategic planning body with the pastor was touched upon. There will be ongoing dialogue on this topic.

Other: Thanks to Mark S. and his wonderful Choirs for the music during Christmas; Kara Peterson for her devotion; and Fran for her extra diligence during the entire holiday season. There was a decision that Pastoral Council members would not participate as "officer of the day" to replace Fran at Sunday masses.

Adjourn: 820 p.m.