

Tri-Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

January 16, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 PM

St Charles Andre Hall

Minutes submitted by Marilyn Putz

Attendance: Fr. Jim, Fr. Carlos Excused or Absent: Magali Barajas and Sr. Emma

Trustees: Barb Bakshis, Terri Newbury, Dan Haacker, Bob O’Neill. Excused or Absent: John Gabaldo, Jim Schuster

Pastoral Council Members: Pam Aldrich, Brian Daniel, Mark Ehlen, Geri Henningfield, Mary Ann Johnson, Marilyn Putz, Jacki Scholze, Randy Tritz and George Whitehead.

Excused or Absent: None

Brian Daniel opened the meeting and opening prayer was offered by Teri Newbury.

November Minutes: Approved by consensus with 4 corrections on the minutes that were sent out.

Voice of the Parishes: (opportunity for parish member input)
(Due to time constraints, input is limited to a total of 30 minutes) No comments.

Fr. Jim’s Comments:

- Father thanked everyone who helped with Christmas decorations and services, all went well at each parish.
- January is a busy month for the Church. Last week celebrated immigration issues and Monday is Day of Prayer for the protection of the unborn. Week of the 28th is Catholic Schools Week.
- Confirmation candidates on Retreat January 27 and 28.
- Deacon Candidate Anton Nickolai beginning preaching practicum, will be offering a reflection at masses.

Chairperson Comments: Brian Daniel

-There were great Christmas season activities in all three parishes. Very proud of the councils participation in activities throughout this year and grateful for the work of the School Steering Task Force and its committees. Attending activities at the three parishes it is obvious that we are making great strides towards coming together as one Burlington Catholic Community.

Standing Committee Reports:

(Reminder to Liaisons to inform their committee secretaries to send the approved meeting minutes to each parish so they can post them on their websites.)

Liaisons need to report only significant information that needs feedback from the Council.

Worship/Liturgy liaison Fr. Carlos: -Fr. Carlos stated that the meetings will start up again next week as they begin planning for the summer outdoor mass.

Human Concerns liaison Jacki Scholze: -No report except that St. Mary needs a new chairperson for their committee.

Evangelization and Formation liaison Pam Aldrich: - No meetings in December

Stewardship/Parish Life liaison Mark Ehlen: -No Holiday Social this year. -St. Joe's Casino Night February 10. -Open Houses at our schools during Catholic Schools Week. -Parishes collaborating on booth at Home Expo on March 10.

School Advisory

St. Charles liaison Mary Ann Johnson: -Discussed the Choice Program process. -Discussed the Catholic Schools Week activities and Open House. -New Resource staff person working with students as needed. -Buddy Bench is in use.

St. Mary liaison Brian Daniel: -Combined Athletic Program going well. Discussed issues revolving around unification.

Finance

St. Charles liaison Marilyn Putz: Bakshis reported they are starting to work on the budget. Trustees and principals are working on unraveling the way the Pizza sales at both schools have funded the D.C. trips.

St. Joseph liaison Geri Henningfield: -Accepted donation from the Knights of Columbus. -Reviewed financials

St. Mary liaison is Randy Tritz: -No report

Catholic Community Events:

Hispanic events: No report

Old Business:

-School Steering Committee Report: Discussed recommendations in closed session at the end of regular business.

-Time and Talent Survey-Teri Newbury report Hospitality Workers left off the survey, if any others report to committee to add on for next year. Mary Ann, Teri and Marilyn with give an up-date of results at next meeting.

New Business:

-St. Mary Tri Parish Pastoral Council Member: Call for nominations should go out in February

-Brian Daniel up-dated the status of the family whose home was damaged by fire Dec.6. Knights of Columbus working to continue helping them. He thanked everyone for the help they have given.

Action Items for next meeting:

-Teri, Mary Ann and Marilyn give a report on Time and Talent Survey results for each parish.

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Next Meeting February 20, St. Joseph Parish Center 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Volunteer for Opening Prayer: Jackie Scholze

Volunteer for Closing Prayer: Barb Bakshis

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Closed session to discuss recommendations from the School Steering Committee Task Force.

Also attending the session: Loretta Jackson and Mary Macdonald-Grade School Principals

Bruce Varick – Archdiocese Director of Schools and Bonnie Scholz –Principal of Catholic Central H. S.

Brian thanked Bob and the committee for all their work.

Bob distributed their proposal. Council members had the opportunity to ask questions.

Verbal unanimous consensus from the Tri-Parish Pastoral Council members was given to accept the proposal and they asked Father to move forward with it. Communication of the decision and the contents of the proposal will be enacted starting the next day according to the plan presented by the task force and the grade school principals.

Closing Prayer by Mary Ann Johnson

Meeting Adjourned by Brian Daniel