Pastoral Council Minutes
Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Attendees: Hans Higdon, Andy McDonald, Chris Kuss, Craig Cornelius, Jason Suchowski, Pat Kennedy, Sean Carroll, Mark Readinger, Bud Cialdini, Mary Ann Delzer

Staff Attendees: Patricia Wisialowski, Bishop Jeff Haines

Guests: Meghan and Mike Buckholdt

Excused: Fr. Jose Gonzales, Christopher Schuele, Eugene Burke, Michael Bula

Pastoral Council Business:

- PC members made a final review photos and bios for the website.
- Minutes approval process will be via email.
- Reminder that Michelle Nemmer will facilitate joint Pastoral Council/Cathedral staff meeting in February.
- Discernment –Pat K. and Andy will be completing their terms. Chris K. will lead the discernment process to fill the vacancies.

Commission Reports

- Stewardship-Mary Ann reported the group assigned topics to members and initial reports were shared. One idea being explored is a St Patrick’s themed evening March 16 with Irish themed hymns at 5:15 liturgy and fellowship in the atrium.
- Formation-Pat W. shared opportunities for Lent:
  - Fr. Mike’s Lenten Evening, March 9, 2019 with theme “Come to the Cross.”
  - Centering prayer presentation with Barbara Weiss on February 17, 2019, 10:10-10:50 a.m.
  - “Soup with Substance” sessions April 3 and 10, 2019, presented by George Ryan and Dennis Callies.
- New Comers Brunch-Pat W shared next brunch is February 24, 2019, with currently 39 family units invited.
- Buildings and Ground-Bud
  - Rectory remodeling is scheduled to be completed by the end of February.
  - Cathedral floor polishing will take several weeks to complete. Parishioners are asked to be patient with seating changes in church required by the polishing.
  - Milwaukee Downtown (BID 21) has decided to not renew their lease, which expires at the end of June. Cathedral staff will be moving into the space. Three parties have interest in the third floor space that will be vacant when the staff moves.

Parish Directory-Pat W.

- Parishioners have expressing interest in a new parish directory as current directory is eight years old. New directory project would require numerous volunteers. Venders will also need to be vetted/researched. Late summer/fall time frame maybe best. PC asked to consider the possibility of moving forward on the project.
Writing Team/Strategic Planning Update- Mark, Sean, Chris K, John Asher and Pat W.

- Team met with Mark Kemmeter on January 10, 2019. Data was reviewed and the vision of the Cathedral moving forward was discussed. Each team member was assigned a section(s) to write before the next meeting. Mark Kemmeter will provide assistance in pulling the report together. There will be multiple opportunities for feedback during this collaborative process.

Bishop’s Update

- Interviews are continuing for a full-time administrative assistant.
- Cathedral will receive a bequest form Fr. Carl Last, with details forth coming.
- The Catholic Stewardship Appeal goal of $89,000 was exceeded. We had 25% parishioner participation with $112,000 donated. Parishioners are commended on their generosity and stewardship.
- La Sagrada Familia has requested financial assistance for new ministries and Finance Council will be considering their request at their next meeting.

Issues Log was reviewed and updated.

Next meetings:

- February 19, 2019
- March 19, 2019