

Parish Council Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, October 21, 2020

In virtual attendance: Fr. Paul, Fr. Jonathan, David, Cathy D., Hailey Krol, Edgar Acosta, Ted Hurley, Peter Atkinson, Bob Near, Cathy K., Josephene Kealey

Absent: Marie Fortier

Meeting opened 4:30pm

Agenda

1. Call to Order: David
2. Opening prayer: Fr. Paul
3. Approval of previous minutes: approved
4. Monthly Ministry Check-In

A few mentions by various members: Development and Peace wants to make a presentation to Parish Council; Bible Study wants to run a Catechism course in the church; Pastoral Care needs a budget for greeting cards and postage costs; Christian Meditation also wants to meet in the church; Divine Mercy Cenacle is still working on getting its books back; Liturgy Committee needs a serious refresh regarding ministries who are supposed to be active members of this committee

Some ministries are questioning this monthly process. We have to make it meaningful and relevant to their work.

5. David brought up the issue of the parish needing more space for meetings with Finance. David also mentioned the need to make the meeting places update to date technologically.

Since collections from parishioners have been down since the closures of the churches, Finance might not have the funds it needs for all projects and initiatives. David suggests we focus on what is absolutely necessary for now.

For the next MMCI, include budget requests.

6. Josephene will write up amendments to propose to Council in April, to propose to the AGM in May. If you see anything that needs changes, please advise asap.
7. Long-term planning (previously known as our 5YP) reviewed.

There are four main groups, stemming from this LTP initiative:
Ministry Feedback loop (MMCI), led by Josephene
Volunteer Coordinator, led by Peter
Retreats, led by Hailey
Accountability, led by David

If you haven't yet, join one of the four groups and get started on generating ideas to propose by December's meeting. For the groups that require major funding (Volunteer Accountability and Retreats), have a proposal ready by November's meeting to propose to Finance.

8. Finance needs heads up on our plans.
Fr. Paul shared some information about the Three Conversations initiative.

9. Meeting adjourned
10. Closing prayer led by Fr. Jonathan

ACTION POINTS

- David to turn the Pallet board into a printable document
- Josephene to write up amendments to Constitution
- Join a group: Ministry feedback; Volunteer coordinator; Retreats; Accountability and get to work!
- Finance needs proposals by November
- David: when is our November meeting? It needs to be prior to Finance's next meeting. When is Finance's next meeting?
- All other proposals need to be done by December's meeting
- For the next MMCI, include a question about financial needs.
- Cathy D. to add Action Points to next meeting's agenda.