

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Immaculate Conception Church Pastoral Council Minutes April 24, 2018

Attendance: P=present; A=absent

A	Babcock, MaryBeth (Staff)	P	Kish, Mike (Principal, ICS)	P	Southard, Rich (Member)
P	Barnes, Lisa (Member)	P	Lundy, Karen (Staff)	P	Stout, Larry (Chair)
A	Daniels, Kathy (Member)	P	McDermott, Pat (Member)	P	Toenjes, Dona (Trustee)
P	Dorshorst, Teresa (Member)	P	Powers, Lauren (Vice-Chair)	P	Wienhoff, Hope (Staff)
P	Grawitch, Pat (Member)	A	Raney, Steve (Trustee)	A	Wilson, Mary (Secretary)
P	Huels, Keith (Staff)	A	Renner, Maria (Member)	P	Young, Lizanne (Staff)
		P	Scherrer, Fr. Carl (Pastor)		

Guests: Donna Frederick, ICS School Board and Joan Scharf, Sacred Heart

Call to Order

Introduction/Welcoming of Guests

Opening Prayer & Reflection – Lizanne Young led a discussion based on Chapter 10 of Rebuilt, asking council members to share their experience with tithing and giving as an act of faith.

Approval of Minutes – Larry noted the need for clarification of two points in the March minutes regarding the School Board report: information regarding the Go Guardian app for students and teachers was not clear, and that bringing back the City Championship was a possibility, not definite. Approval of March minutes will be revisited at next Pastoral Council meeting.

Comments from Sacred Heart Representative(s)

Joan Scharf had no comments to add. Larry Stout attended last Sacred Heart meeting and mentioned that they discussed the sick and homebound ministry.

Welcome School Board Representative

1. School Board Report

- a. Donna Frederick mentioned that Antoinette Kuhlman resigned from the school board due to her husband's health, increasing the number of vacancies on the board to 5.
- b. Donna also mentioned that there was a new school board handbook.
- c. She indicated that the board discussed giving Chromebooks to all students in grades 5-8.
- d. The Budget Committee met and discussed ways to collect outstanding fees, including the use of 3rd party collection companies.

2. Principal's Report

- a. Mike Kish provided the following updates:
 - Lots of field trips going on, providing a good education and experience.
 - The Main Street Abbey will be hosting an Open House of the old church renovation for the parish on June 24 after the 11:00 Mass.

- Getting information on AEDs for the school
 - Mission Day was April 20 and raised \$2000
 - Students would be attending the Gibault musical on April 26.
- b. Dona Toenjes asked if there would be an appeal to the parish to assist with the move. Mr. Kish indicated that McGuire Moving (parishioners) would be helping and that the parish would be asked to assist. The date for the first school day in the new building is January 7, 2019.
3. Excuse School Board Representative
- a. Donna Frederick was excused from the meeting.

Old Business

1. Update on Discernment
- a. 2 names in the School Board box – more are needed, 8 in the Parish Council box. 4 names need to be drawn for the Parish Council and 5 for the School Board. Pat McDermott encouraged all to “talk up” membership on the board and council. More appeals will be made at the Masses.
2. Update on Rich Curran program
- a. Nothing new to report

New Business

1. Report on meeting of Bishop Braxton and Fr. Carl, Fr. Linus, Fr. Marvin regarding parish partnership
- a. The meeting was held on April 18, and the Bishop asked that joint ICC and Sacred Heart Pastoral Council meetings be held twice a year. The Bishop wants us all to be aware and prepared, emphasizing that the vocation crisis is real and imminent. The pastors also provided information to the Bishop on the challenges resulting from the overlapping parish partnership structure.
2. Officer voting change – confidential nominations
- a. Larry recommended that the Council do nominations for officers confidentially and asked if there were any objections. There were no objections.

Staff Reports

1. Pastor’s Report
- a. Fr. Carl discussed the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal, noting that Immaculate Conception has continually not had success in meeting its goal. He wanted to emphasize that it’s not about the amount raised, but rather the percent of households that participate. Lisa Barnes suggested that next year perhaps various people who represent groups helped by this appeal could give short sharings at Masses.
- b. Fr. Carl also expressed thanks for the words and expressions of support on the passing of his mother.
- c. The Vocation Committee decided that to commemorate the World Day of Prayer, the intentions at the June 3 adoration would be dedicated to vocations
- d. Noting that Bishop Braxton has strongly encouraged attendance at ordinations to support vocations, and at the Confirmation Mass urged all to listen to the Word of God at Mass and think about how we respond, Fr. Carl asked how we might follow up. Suggestions were made to bring Bibles or journals to Mass to actively engage. He will also ask other committees for input on how to encourage.
- e. Fr. Carl also mentioned that discussions should begin on starting a dedication committee for the new Catholic Education and Activities Center.
2. Director of Faith Formation
- a. Formation leaders of Parish Cluster Groups would be meeting Thursday, May 3.

3. Finance Report
 - a. Bond sales meeting are scheduled for parishioners on April 29th and 30th, and details are in the bulletin. The slide presentation was provided to Council members in advance of the meetings, and will be on the website after the meetings.
4. Liturgy & Music Report
 - a. No additions to written report.

Pastoral Council Representatives Reminders – May, June

Parish Council Representatives				
Day	Role	Name		Notes
		May	June	
1st Sunday after 9:00 am Mass	Welcoming Rep	Mary Wilson		
2nd Tues @ 7:00 in SH School Bldg	SH Parish Council	Pat Grawitch		Give a short summary of ICC going-ons
3rd Tues @ 7:00 in ICS Room 220	School Board	Lisa Barnes		Give a short summary of ICC going-ons
4th Tuesday @ 7:00 in ICC K of C Room	Prayer/Reflection	Larry Stout		
Link to sign-up: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084bafaa28a6fd0-pastoral				

Closing prayer; Adjournment

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God of all forgiveness, be merciful on us for the times when our courage has failed us and we have acted in a way that is less than Christian. Send your Holy Spirit to enliven our faith, strengthen our resolve, and increase the fortitude we need to live your Word. Grant this through the One in whose name we live. Amen.

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APPENDICES