



Leadership Meeting Minutes

Pax Christi Monthly Council Meeting

Council:	Community Council
Meeting Date:	8-22-17
Minutes Prepared By:	Shari Steffen

Attendees:	Sara Byerley	Bruce Koehn
	Bob Martinka	Fr. Bill Murtaugh
	Fr. Marc Pavaglio	Mark Rabogliatti
	Jane Schmitz	Shari Steffen
	Joe Stich	Sandra Towey
	Phil Trovato	Dave Wagner
	Wayne Ward	Laurie Ritz

Absent:	Fred Baumer	
	Jack Kegel	

Opening Prayer

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 5:30pm by Joe Stich.

Approve Last Month Minutes: Minutes of the June meeting were approved.

Approved Revisions: N/A

1. Welcome and Introductions

Members briefly introduced themselves.

2. 2017/2018 Council Chair

Joe explained the duties of the Community Council chair. After discussion and discernment, Dave Wagner was chosen as council chair and accepted the position. Members thanked Joe for his two years of service as Community Council chairperson.

3. Additional Justice Grant Monies

At the June meeting there was a recommendation made for additional \$25,000 to be granted to Justice Grants to be available for award in June of 2018 based on a formula developed by the Finance Council to use part of the revenue received over expenses to move toward the goal of a 10 percent tithe for Justice. The addition this year will bring the percentage from about 5% to about 5.7% for a total of \$158,000 available for Justice grants in the spring of 2018. The recommendation was approved.

4. Community Council Retreat



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Jane led the discussion about whether to continue the practice begun last year of a retreat for Community Council members. Members who attended last year felt it was helpful as a way to get to know each other better and hold more in-depth discussions on pertinent topics. Last year Jerry Roth facilitated the retreat and the main topic of discussion was beginning a new strategic plan for the parish. The date of Saturday, September 30, was selected for the retreat. Dave asked members to suggest possible facilitators and ideas for discussion to him and Jane.

Action Item	Owner	Target Date
All members send ideas for facilitators for the retreat and topics to be discussed, or activities to Dave and Jane.	All.	September 8, 2017

5. Update in Strategic Plan

Dave gave an update on the progress on the strategic plan. The committee is at the end of receiving input from the various councils and reporting groups. Committee members then generated ideas for areas on which to focus during the next three years. They include: changing demographics, communication, youth ministry, lifelong discipleship, same volunteers, financial health, diminishing engagement, sustaining mission through leadership change, outreach, maximizing potential of the building and grounds, prioritization, relevance, identity. Challenge statements for these themes will be developed with the process narrowing down to four or five goals.

6. Pax Christi Response to Pope Francis' Declaration of the Year of the Poor

Shari reported that a planning committee has been formed to determine how Pax Christi will carry out the Pope's declaration. Thus far, the committee has planned a dinner for those alone and/or in need within the parish and in the wider community of Eden Prairie and beyond. The dinner would be held on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, at midday. Parish members and their families will be recruited to do all of the preparation, planning, cooking, decorating, serving and clean-up for the event so that staff will not have to give up their holiday time. Shari asked members to mention this event to their councils to begin the recruitment.

Action Item	Owner	Target Date
All members inform leadership of the event.	All	August 22, 2017

Adjournment: Moved to adjourn at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Shari Steffen.