

**Pax Christi Catholic Community
Community Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 17th, 2012
Minutes**

Attendees: Eric Anderson, Sue Fier, Tom Keane, Bruce Koehn, Mike Lindseth, Mary Frances Messer, Carrie Chevalier Mosher, Jim O’Laughlin, Steven Olinger, Shari Steffen, Joan Waterstreet, and Mark Weber

Absent: Fr. Kennedy, Vicki Klima, Greg Halvorson and Jim Sankovitz

Visitors: Mark Cox

The minutes of the Community Council meeting held on November 15th, 2011 were approved.

Lay Leadership Ministry Feature

Steve Olinger, Lay Leadership Council Chairperson, presented an update on the responsibilities of the Lay Leadership Council. The council is responsible for the annual leadership discernment process. Councils will be seeking 27 new members this year. Existing members were challenged to each nominate one candidate for the discernment process. Nominations are due February 13th. Letters will be sent to all those nominated followed by phone calls during the period of February 17-26. First discernment nights are scheduled for March 1 and 6 and the second discernment night is scheduled for May 1. New leaders will be recognized at mass on Pentecost Sunday, May 27.

The council is responsible for promoting and developing lay leaders within the parish. An online module entitled “Leading from our Mission and Values” is now available on the website.

The council is also responsible for granting funds from the Leadership Development Fund for initiatives that foster lay leadership. The balance in the fund as of 10/31/2011 was \$210,841.

Upcoming ministry features are as follows:

February: Pastoral Care

March: Finance

April: Facilities

May: Justice

Parish Wide Survey

The Faith Formation Council is planning to conduct a targeted survey of both engaged and disengaged parents. The Community Council discussed the benefits of expanding the survey to target the entire parish with questions from various councils. It was decided to continue with the faith formation targeted survey and forgo the parish wide survey.

Lenten Retreat

A Lenten retreat is scheduled for March 24th. All leaders are invited to attend as well as any other interested members of the parish. In light of the pastor transition announced this evening, it was suggested that transition strategies become a topic of discussion at the retreat.

Financial Report

December contributions were 18.3% higher than budget and year to date contributions are 5.5% higher than budget. Year to date net income is \$127,000 favorable to budget. The line of credit has been completely paid off using Crossroads dollars which leaves our only existing debt to be the note payable of \$414,000. The note carries a 2.92% interest rate.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sue Fier, Secretary