

Pax Christi Community Council Meeting
November 19, 2013

Meeting Attendees:

Fr. Bill Murtaugh, Vicki Klima, Tom Keane, Sara Byerley, Al Miller, Mark Cox, Mark Huschke, Mary Frances Messer, Melissa Miller, Shari Steffen, Phil Trovato, Jonathan Luebbers, Bob Gibbs, Bruce Koehn

Absentees:

Bob Hergenrother

Meeting convened: 8:45 PM

September 2013 minutes were approved as written.

Ministry Fair evaluation:

Pastoral Care had some success signing up volunteers for a new offering. Most members were disappointed at both the attendance and interaction. Lay Leadership chair Phil Trovato said that his council will brainstorm some new ideas and bring results to a later Community Council meeting for further discussion. The council agreed that a reinvention of the Ministry Fair was needed.

October ME25 Brainstorming Session Evaluation:

A mixed reaction was shared on the effectiveness of session. Most ministry councils found it helpful and included ideas in their Action Plans for the year.

Ministry Council Action Plan Reports:

Facilities: The St Frances Shrine- grotto style will be their priority.

Lay Leadership: The council is still refining four components to their plan and will defer reporting till December.

Justice: 1) Working on a "Living the Gospel" event and 2) improving communication.

Faith Formation: 1) Catechist recruitment and 2) Engaging with families and see what works. FF is also investigating the Spiritual Movie Night concept and the creation of video(s) to further market FF in the parish.

Finance: Still working on action plan developing a way to thank parishioners for their 3T gifts to the parish.

Pastoral Care: 1) Defining role of the new parish nurse, 2) Developing and kicking off the Pet Visiting Ministry and 3) Developing a transportation ministry.

Worship: 1) Re-initiating the welcoming neighbors concept at the beginning of mass, 2) Use AV medium to recognize milestones (birthdays and anniversaries) in parishioner's lives, 3) considering name tags for new members to identify them for welcoming purposes, and 4) Re-invigorate Burgundy Bag concept

Stewardship: 1) Establish participation goals, 2) Match talent inventory and LYS results to projects and invite.

Financial Update Report:

Finance Council Chair Al Miller reported that YTD revenues have been overall trending well until a recent drop and that the staff continues to do an incredible job managing expenses accordingly. Revenues and Collections continue to be parish's biggest challenge to expanded programming and long term financial

health. Al also shared the 5 week results to the 2014 Stewardship Campaign. We are currently \$66,000 ahead of last year's results for the same period and expressed cautious optimism that we will finish well.

Staff Update:

Vicki Klima shared two staff resignations with the Council. It is her intent to fill both the Parish Receptionist role and the Justice role as soon as possible.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50.