

St. Alphonsus, and St. John the Evangelist
Combined Pastoral Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Held at St. Alphonsus, Tuesday, February 21, 2017, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.
“Strengthened by the Eucharist, we go out to proclaim the
Death and Resurrection of Christ”

In attendance: Elaine Burke, Mark Kashik, Naoma Livingston, Bonnie Mayer, Mary Meyers, Doug Schomberg, Bernie Schyvinck, Mark Seegers, Greg Sim, Vicki Skinner, and Father Terry
Excused: Mary Ehr, Mary Gronke, Darlene Roanhaus, Brian Sekey and Pat Vos

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by the group, and Greg led the group in an opening prayer. Minutes for the January meeting were approved. Several positive spins were shared: the pancake breakfast held at St. Johns was very good and well attended. Great Nite Out also went well, there were two more people at it this year compared to last year. Father Tony is looking much better. Charlie Thorten is a new canter for St. Alphonsus. Mark S. brought up the program “Two men and a Bible” the program is 10-15 minutes each week, and Elaine went on Ancestry.com and found information on the artist Charles Ebbing that painted and donated two oil paintings at St. Alphonsus.

Pastor’s Report: There has not been as many funerals

Ministries of the Month: Finance Committee was tabled because Pat was out of town.

Old Business: The joint parish retreat has been cancelled, we are going to try to plan one in the fall with the whole group instead of doing it now.

New Business:

Parish Council norms basically states that the council is an advisory group to Father Terry, he has the final say on what happens in the parish. We need to replace two council members Mary Ehr and Darlene Roanhaus have left the board due to other commitments. The Council will try to come back with some names for nominations and if we need to vote we’ll do it in May. The April PPC meeting has been cancelled, and the next finance meetings for St. Johns are March 20th and May 1st. For St. Alphonsus they are April 4th and May 2nd. We talked about how we would like to notify the parishioners about the cluster formation Doug suggested that maybe would like to talk to Mark Kemmeter, he is going to contact him, and on March 22, 2017 there is a joint meeting with Father Terry, Dr. Sandi, Bob Lasch and Brian. It is important that we have a plan of action now.

From the floor:

Bonnie talked about in Kenosha there are about 1500 Hispanics, St. Marks and possible some of the other parishes are going to become sanctuaries for protecting the community of Hispanics. Bonnie wanted to know if they need support or some assistance, are we willing to help out. It was agreed that we would.

Bernie brought up that we didn’t have the Mission Statement printed yet, Vicki will follow through on that. He also talked about the elevator, he hopes it is started by summer, and Katie Diaz would like to have video screens to display song information. Mark S. talked about the song sign board in St. Alphonsus is the same as the one in St. Mary’s. It was stated that the cost is about \$1200 to \$1400.

Mark K. led us in a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Johns

Submitted by: Vicki Skinner Minutes approved by PPC on March 21, 2017