

St. Joseph Pastoral Parish Council Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order with prayer by Father Tim at 6:03 pm. Members present were Cesar Escalante, George Johnson, Dee Elliott, James McGinnis, Jeff Donahue, Jose Perlera, Stephanie Smith, Evelyn Tejada, Julie Kuehler, Reino Mejia, Ben Williams, ex-officio members Theresa Napoli and Lynn Langston, and Fr. Tim and Pastor Fr. Paul Moreau. Eric Kuehler joined as a guest.

2. Minutes from the November meeting were approved.

3. Comments/reports made, Questions answered:

Special needs RE class is going well, 9 students, 7 team members.

First Communion coming soon, school will have a separate Mass.

Mary Garden is still in the works, a meeting is being planned.

The Kitchen is next in line after the rectory, hopefully Kitchen will be done before the Lenten Fish Frys.

Radio Finance committee is meeting on Wednesday Jan 23. They will plan for 2019. Another parishioner is also trying to solicit funds.

Active shooter program is coming along, ACC police and the emergency preparedness are helping.

The sign out front needs to be checked for lighting. Mr. Burton will be contacted.

Charites needs a sidewalk. Suggestions: call landlord, call Bernie, an Eagle Scout candidate.

Eric Kuehler was introduced as temporary operations manager, he is reviewing maintenance, cleaning and movement throughout the building as well as making suggestions for things to improve. He will draft weekly, monthly, 5-year and 10-year maintenance/cleaning schedules. He will report to Fr. Paul.

Intel is still being gathered on the project to provide showers for the homeless. Plan would be to have a mobile shower house that would go to convenient locations for the homeless. Showers, towels and a clean change of clothes are planned. We will need to hold a drive for clothes and towels.

Fr Paul gave a brief explanation on Deacon Tipton. Hopefully he will be able to say Mass for us after he is ordained by his diocese. Fr. Paul is planning a reception for Deacon Jim to thank him for his many years of service.

The school is working very hard on enrollment, they are having an open house the weekend of Jan 26-27 and Jan 29 with a hot dog party on Sunday. GRACE scholar program was discussed, Ben offered to help Theresa explain the program to others, she is also meeting with the AoA for more information.

Holy Week Mission is looking for new leadership, they are having a meeting on 1/23 at 7 pm. They may use the school's activity bus, which then generated a conversation about requirements to drive the bus. Theresa will send out the details to the council.

The Valentine Bash is coming soon, the committee is planning to ask the K of C and the Columbiettes to help.

Conversation was held about including sports into FEST as well as more multicultural events. Volleyball and bowling were mentioned.

Our Feast Day plan include a Mass on March 18 with a reception, a school Mass which is open to all at 8:30 on the Feast Day (March 19).

Discussion was held regarding instituting a St. Joseph Award for the outstanding volunteer at the parish. More discussion will happen. Ben and Fr. Tim will have a preliminary meeting.

Fr Paul brought us up to date on the sale of Prince Ave Property. We received \$4.125 million at the time of the sale. We have \$8.6 million (total) in the bank for the new church. There will be a meeting with Jack Crawly on Wednesday to request a proposed aerial view for construction. Fathers *may* hold a town hall meeting in the near future. Father cannot tell us a grounding breaking day at this time, but the project is definitely moving forward.

A request was made to Lynn to find Confirmation students to help at all fish frys.

Fr. Paul reports the rectory should be finished by the end of February. The project was delayed due to the weather.

4. The next meeting is Monday, February 18 at 6 pm.

5. Closing prayer was said by Father Paul and the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.