

St Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

JANUARY 14, 2015 600PM – 7:30 PM

MEETING CALLED BY	Fr. Frank Maroney
TYPE OF MEETING	Scheduled
FACILITATOR	Fr. Frank Maroney
NOTE TAKER	Ray Falce
ATTENDEES	Fr. Frank Maroney, Ray Falce, Dennis Graham, Jeanne Kuhn, Lola Swedbergh, Reg Valencia GUESTS: Judy Cabrera, Dan Aedo

Meeting Organization

OPENING PRAYER	Fr. Frank
REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES	Previous minutes (December) corrected. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes with changes and seconded, unanimous approval.
REIVEW AGENDA	A formal agenda was not prepared for the monthly meeting.

Agenda topics

GENERAL TOPICS	
DISCUSSION	<p>Father opened the meeting with a prayer.</p> <p>Old Business/General</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judy Cabrera made a presentation on all of her activity in the Church. She officially works for the parish 12-15 hours per week. Her work includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practical <u>Parent Education</u>- For example-How do we become better parents for education our children in the Catholic Faith. Currently has 27 family members signed up for this program. - When the above program completes Judy will do education to children w/r to their bodies, sex etc., She mentioned that some parents are afraid to talk to their children about sex. - Judy also offers support groups for grief, transition, and divorce. Based on her experiences she said that people find it difficult to be single again. - Marital Support – She discussed the programs for married people and noted that 45 couples attended a marriage evening in January that was supported by the parish. In general Judy mentioned that people want more marriage support. She pointed out that the biggest issue is babysitting, they need this to be able to

attend the classes.

- Judy reviewed her Mission Statement that was developed for her activity. She is very excited about what she is doing.

- Dan Aedo gave a presentation of what he is doing with the youth group.
 - Dan mentioned if we want to see all of the activity that the youth group Are involved in we should visit the Web site.
 - Last Tuesday, 30 parents attended the class on Theology of the Body
 - Yesterday, January 13th, 36 students from Middle school discussed the Theology of the body (Classes divided into boys and girls).
 - Next week, there is a March for Life in Washington DC, Dan will be taking 4 children from St. Francis.
 - The Archdiocese is sponsoring Mountain Madness, we will have 19 youth attending.
 - There is a Steubenville Conference in June in San Diego. In the process of putting together our attendance at the present time.
 - Collections are being taken by the youth for Social Justice (helping out other youth similar to Food for the Poor)) and the Our Center.
 - Dan has over 45 High School and almost 50 Middle school youth registered in the St. Francis youth programs.
 - Dan is working on the Archbishops instructions for Restored Order, Baptism & Confirmation were originally together instead being separated as they are now. This program is in formulation to get them back together.
 - As far as volunteers, can use more guys to help out.

Thanks to these two individuals for their hard work for the Parish.

New Business/General

- There was a discussion of what can we do to support the parish with more men. We need to be reaching out to men for their Christian Lives. Father Frank gave an action to Dennis to discuss with the Saturday Men's group. See below.
- Father mentioned that he has signed the license agreement for the **Family of Character series**. Deacon George will facilitate.
- There are more people (more than the old guard) signing up for the New Bible Study.
- Father Frank wanted to know if there was any feedback on the Christmas Devotions etc., The Choir was awesome, and the quartet was great. Lola commented that the lights under the Altar need to be working better, there was no feedback on the outside manger, and we broke the Christmas attendance record of 2124, a ½% increase over 2013. There is a problem downstairs for lack of reverence during the Masses.
- The old subject of clapping at the end of Mass was brought again. Haven't really worked on this very hard.

- Father talked about the Building Funds, we raised \$108K for the building fund from the matching funds program. We are currently receiving 10-15K per month from normal contributions
- The finance committee reported we have about \$400K in the building fund, they are discussing paying off the small loan of \$218K
- We now have an unsigned Lease Agreement with Verizon that was sent to the Archdiocese for review. We have been advised to get an attorney to oversee the agreement.
- There needs to be a new study performed to determine the best way to support the parish on continuing Religious education of the parishioners. This activity will start in February and go to May.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
1. There is an action to discuss with the Saturday Men's group to come up with ideas how more men can support the parish functions.	Dennis Graham	ASAP

***Next Meeting Scheduled for February 11TH AT 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.
For Planning Purposes the meeting in March will be on the 11th.***