

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Date: June 20, 2013

Place: Parish Activities Center

Fr. Colarusso	P	Dino Cuscuna	P	Dennis Ebert	-	Carmen O'Rourke	P
Deacon Sumner	P	Janice DeHart	P	Joanne Fitzpatrick	-	Freddy Santosuosso	-
Erica Bukowski	-	Rosemarie DeLacy	P	Roc O'Connell	P		

P = Present at meeting

Meeting commenced at 7:50 PM with an opening prayer by Rosemarie DeLacy.

1. Review of previous meeting minutes

Minutes from the May 2013 meeting were unanimously accepted as written.

2. Parishioner Comments

- Another parishioner asked a PPC member, if bells could be rung during the consecration. The PPC member's reply to the parishioner referred to the discussion at the May 2013 PPC meeting where it was decided to not restore the practice at this time. It was agreed by the PPC, that a single note/tone played on the organ would be an acceptable compromise in lieu of bells. Issue was tabled until the September meeting.
- A parishioner stopped by the office to acknowledge the great job that Fr. Colarusso is doing.
- Parishioners will be reminded, via a bulletin announcement in September, that time is allocated at the beginning of each PPC meeting for comments by parishioners wishing to attend in person.

3. Pastor Update:

- Outgoing PPC members, Janice and Erica, were recognized and thanked for their years of service on the council. (Note: Due to term limits, neither is eligible for another consecutive term).
- 2 new families registered in the Parish and also made contributions to the Capital Campaign.
- Building update:
 - Work on the church interior will start on or about July 1.
 - All town permitting is in place.
 - Credence table will be reconfigured for the new space and will be refinished along with the minister chairs and lectern.
 - Bridge loan request, as advised by the Design Committee, was approved by Archdiocese so that all work can be completed at once to minimize disruption and overall project cost.
 - Church to reopen the 3rd or 4th week of September.
 - During construction:
 - Masses will be held in the PAC in the L-shaped room.
 - Songs will be cantor-led.

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- Due to space constraints, the PPC recommended that only hosts be distributed during communion.
- Communication: Photos will be taken during construction will be published in the bulletin, local paper and website to keep the parish and local community informed of progress. A "Save the Date" postcard announcing the re-opening date will be distributed.
- Music Director interview process
 - A search committee, including choir members, began interviewing and auditioning some very talented candidates.
 - Start date for new director will be in September.

4. PPC member selection process

- Nominations were reviewed in executive session.
- New member will take office in September (PPC will not meet in July and August).
- By-Laws have been revised to document new selection process.
 - **ACTION ITEM: Distribute By-Laws for final review. Owner: Dino. Due: June 23**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Review By-Laws and communicate any revisions to Dino. Owner: All PPC members. Due: June 30**
 - **ACTION ITEM: Bulletin entry summarizing selection process. Owner: Rosemarie. Due: by end of August.**

5. Evangelization Activities.

- Wedding Vow Renewal Celebration Mass and Dinner (Rosemarie/Janice). Deacon Neil distributed 2 handouts on wedding vows renewal. Deacon Neil will represent the PPC at the staff calendar meeting to identify potential dates before Advent.

6. Closing Prayer – Fr. Colarusso

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM

Next Meeting: September 19, 2013 (no meeting July/Aug)
Adoration: 7:00-7:30 PM
Meeting: ~7:30 –9:00 PM
Opening prayer: Freddy Santosuosso

Respectively submitted, Dino F. Cuscuna