

Minutes for Oct and Nov 2017

Minutes of the October 17, 2017 Pastoral Council Meeting

Attendance: Mike Pereira, Frank Draschner, Irving Garcia, Cynthia Garay, David Ruth, Miguel Ibarria, Dave Parks, Jo Anne Lindquist, Jeff Andersen, Fr. Van, Eric Hom

Minutes of the previous meeting was read and reviewed by all. It has been first motioned by Cynthia Garay for approval, and seconded by Dave Parks.

Old Business

- Review Pastoral Council Terms: David Ruth , Erving Garcia and Ricardo Echon terms have ended. Jeff Andersen has accepted to be part of pastoral council. Dates of everyone else terms have been verified.
- Reviewed Festival: Overall rated very good compared to last year. We have good momentum and will look to continue. Surveys were done on the festival; entertainment was commended, also the food. People asked about why there not many games for kids. The festival generated estimated overall income of 60K, looking to have around 45K net income.

Announcements from Fr. Van

- Centennial for the church is September 28th, Bishop Barber will come for dedication of the church.
- A Centennial committee is formed, first meeting is Tuesday Oct 17th at 8pm.

Announcements from Eric Hom

- Hall Update: You will now use ipad to adjust the system. Kitchen is taking longer because the of the current residential hood setup; switching to commercial hood, so it will be bigger.
- Re-keyed the buildings in the school. Working out well; safer for the school. Painting was done over the summer and new conference room being installed; room 24 being setup in the Education center.
- Plaza still being worked on; getting help from various parishioner with expertise in planning and construction. Will have a plan to share to the parish. Plan to preview the plaza in 3d view. Looking to have a St. Michael Grotto, more open space. Proposing to have memorial bricks to have in the plaza to help offset the cost. Goal is to complete by the summer.

- Finance committee report: plate collection is 104.5% of the budget.
- Family mass once month. Did October counts: 125 more people , double more the children.
- Sunday office hours have started. Good feedback having a bilingual person.
- Working on the Christmas program with Knights and Deacon Dave, one collective push for gifts, looking to combine them together. Intergrating the Christmas coats with the Christmas; looking to bring together 3 programs to help give gits.

Vision: Support Our Mission Statement

Bishop Barbers goals as being bishop was brought up in terms of preparing for our 3 year action plan proposal for the parish:

- Mass experience
- Corporate works or spiritual mercy
- Missionary disciples

We started draft for 3-year action plan for the parish, followed similar format from St. Michael's school. We defined the following priorities:

- **Evangelization**
- **Facilities**
- **Church Experience**

The following was shared for Evangelization action items

- Need outreach to our fellow or past parishioners registered; how can we offer what we can do for them. This could be done by making phone calls, looking to create a committee, etc.
- Ask people to be more involved, like joining a ministry
- Advertise our RCIA better
- Social Committee
- Identify the need for better communication.
- We don't have message for "common Catholic" (code word Larry);something to do to welomce common Catholics. Message in the bulletin, tagline.

The following was shared for Facilities action items :

- Fix parking lot and bathrooms around the church
- Solar
- Looking to re-do the plaza
- Update or refresh the Convent

The following was shared for Church Experience action items:

- Better support for welcome ministry

- Provide a packet to give; Information or a welcome packet with stuff from Livermore
- Sunday experience new parishioners; Video to explain about the mass presented around the church

New Business

- AED machines with defibrillator was addressed to the council - Motion to have installed. We agreed to have them installed in different areas in the church. Look to have people, trained; plan to target to train staff, ushers, welcome ministry, Knights, catechists. Training would involve certified training and learn to do first aid. Eric will work out training and which groups will go through the training.
 - Jo Anne , will provide the Adoration schedule for next meeting.
 - We will have last Pastoral meeting on Nov 28th, not regular 3rd Tuesday of the Month.
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Pastoral Council Meeting 11-28-17

In attendance: Fr. Alfonso, Eric Hom, Jeff Andersen, Frank Draschner, Jo Anne Lindquist, Irving Garcia, Cynthia Garay, Fidelis Atuegbu, Dave Parks, Glenda Dubsy

Presentation by Maureen Alai, Tina Melissare & Vivian Hackett regarding Boy Scouts and Cub Scout troops in the parish. Troop 903 has been chartered since 1948. Boy Scouts provides training in leadership, manners, activities, electronics, service opportunities, how to support of each other and stay more connected to church. The Boy Scouts worked at the festival in September and participated in Scouting for Food. Eagle scouts have helped at the cemetery and collected supplies to send overseas through Blue Star Moms. The presenters asked about the possibility of coordinating the use of the school parking lot to sell parking spaces for downtown events as a fundraiser for the Scouts. Also discussed coordinating with the Knights of Columbus to help with parish activities.

Announcements by Eric Hom:

1. Eric updated council on the situation with Fr. Van. Fr. Van is on administrative leave. Eric is working with the Diocese of Oakland Chancellor Steve Wilcox to have a temporary priest assigned to St. Michael. Anyone who has questions regarding this situation should speak to Helen Osman in the Diocesan office. Tina Gregory is monitoring social media. Eric will disseminate any further information.
2. Eric provided an update on the hall: Hall reopens on Dec 2 after the 5 pm Mass, celebrating Deacon Dave's 35th anniversary as a Deacon. Parish is trying to collect \$10,000 to fund the purchase of new chairs and round tables for the hall. Storage in the hall is at a premium, so no ministry is allowed to store their supplies in the hall. There is a new sound system, new lighting system and a key reader lock system. The hall will be available for receptions after funerals only – will not be rented for any other purposes. Jacqueline Garcia will be in charge of scheduling a 1-year calendar from July to June for ministry use. Core parish ministries will have priority in booking dates. There will be a

form going out in April or May to book use of the hall. There is a new conference room (Room 24) in the education building for use by ministries – also reserved through Jacqueline.

3. Finance update: Sunday collections are \$86,000 above what they were last year at the same time. Maintenance collection is \$34,000 above last year. The annual October Mass attendance count was up 0.4% for adults and significantly down in number of children. Dave Mauldin is now part of the maintenance committee – he is a specialist in HVAC units and will evaluate our current systems. May need Diocesan approval to service or replace HVAC units.
4. 2000 copies of a Scott Hahn book will be given away at Christmas Masses with a letter about St. Michael. Books will be in Spanish and English.
5. Fr. Van and Eric met with Fr. Mark and Karen Miller from St. Charles to coordinate our ministries and discuss ways of reaching out to bring more people to Mass at both parishes.
6. Michael Pereira will host a holiday social for all Pastoral Council members and their families. Eric will email with possible dates.
7. Parish directories should arrive between 12/18 and 12/20 and will be distributed in early 2018.