

All Saints Pastoral Council Minutes
May 9, 2012

Pastoral Council Members Present: Marcia Ney, Theresa Wessels, Johanne Schmidt, Fr. Julio, Bill Steiner, Robert Blume, Bill Neumayer, Karen Edmundson, Denise Hammrich, Joyce Majure, Ken Jacks, Sarah Schumaker
Guests: Fr. Brad Neely

1. Opening Prayer:

Prayed together as a group

2. Approval of Minutes:

Joyce moved the council approve the minutes of the April 11, 2012 meeting. Ken seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

3. Pastor Report: Welcome Father Brad Neely

All present at the meeting offered a brief introduction and summed up their role on the council. Bill Neumayer gave a short historical outline of the councils make up.

Fr. Neely summarized his past and present assignments with the diocese. He is concluding seven years as pastor at Grangeville, Nez Perce, and White Bird. Before that he was at the Cathedral in Boise. He was raised in Moscow and lived there until making the decision to enter the priesthood at age 40. He spent 7 years at Mt. Angel. He is completing his 9th year in the priesthood.

He asked about mass attendance at the two sites, mass times and average attendance at each. Fr. Julio described attendance at each Mass. When asked, he stated the council could best help him by filling him in on details. Bill Neumayer summarized the outlook and possible future of the building project.

When asked what he foresees in moving to this assignment he stated he recognizes consolidation is tough. He felt he would probably place the spiritual well being of the parish as his top priority.

4. Thank you to Ken Jacks:

The council expressed their thanks for the leadership and work Ken put into the recent food festival and bazaars success in its first year.

Ken reported it went off fairly well. He expressed a little disappointment in the participation of parishioner workers. The goal was to bring everyone together. Sarah reports the events profits are \$13,360.19. This represents profits more than double that of the first of our two parish fall bazaars.

5. Administrator's Report: Sarah

a. Budget

Sarah presented the first draft of the parish budget for fiscal year 2012-2013. Next week the finance committee will review this draft and make their recommendations do the council. There will then be joint meeting of the council and the finance committee to review and discuss changes to the budget. Sarah took the council through the proposed budget category by category.

At the conclusion of Sarah's presentation Ken voiced several areas of concern, one of those being a budget reduction in the College/Young Adults Program. Joyce expressed her concern on this point also. Fr. Julio pointed out unless there is someone who is giving leadership it will be difficult to have a strong program. Currently there is no paid coordinator. Sarah responded she will bring that line item back up and will propose it will remain the same in the next fiscal year as it is in this fiscal year. Ken further questioned the viability of the Crab Feed asking if it was a unifying event. It was pointed out this was the first year it was opened up to the whole parish and it needs time to grow into a parish wide supported event. Additionally Ken pointed out staffing has not been reduced since we have gone from three church sites to two church sites. Sarah stated she and Fr. Les are looking at this and whether or not there are going to be changes are being discussed.

Bill Neumayer asked Sarah how we are progressing in putting together the requested financial proposal for Larry Hellhake at the Diocese. Sarah stated that has been completed and submitted to Boise. There has been some further discussion in the finance committee about possible solutions. Sarah relayed Fr. Les has stated the council needs to make recommendations to the finance committee. Sarah reiterated this is a first draft budget proposal.

b. Youth ministry: Sarah

Sarah reported they did interview for the youth ministry position in April. It turned out they only interviewed one candidate, the committee did liked him and he was offered the position. He has accepted the position. Kurt Wambaugh is coming to us from Seattle. Hi position will begin in July. If anyone knows of apartments for rent or other housing options please let Sarah know.

6. School Report: Denise

All Saints Catholic School Spring Concert is May 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at LHS. Students in Pre-K through 6 grade will be performing.

Tina Jackson, ASCS 3rd grade teacher, is graduating from the University of Idaho with her master's degree in education.

They are holding a volunteer appreciation barbeque on May 18 followed by the Strive to Drive raffle drawing. They have about 1300 tickets left to sale to reach their sales goal and they believe they can make that goal.

May will include several activities for the 4th grade class to complement their study of Idaho history. They will be going to St. Gertrude's museum, on a jet boat trip to Kirkwood ranch and learn about the Snake River and Hells Canyon. They will be participating in the district wide Rendezvous at the Nez Perce Fair building on May 17th.

The 3rd grade class just hatched 9 chicks from eggs and will be launching rockets they have built from our building site. The last day of classes is June 7th. They have had socials and information nights for prospective Pre-K and Kindergarten students and parents.

Denise was asked what current enrollment numbers were. She responded there are 134 students in Kindergarten through 6th grades and 22 students in Pre-K this year. The percentage of the students that are parishioners is 70%.

7. Additional Parish Council Members

Bill Neumayer reported he extended an invitation to join the council to previously identified parishioners as was requested. He has not received an answer at this time. He will proceed as discussed.

8. Discuss Columbarium Proposal

Hells Canyon Rock came to Fr. Les in April with a revised proposal for a columbarium to be located at the building site. Their proposal was brought to the council for their consideration.

9. Parish Council Bylaws

Sarah distributed sections 1 & 2 for the council to review and discuss at the next regular council meeting.

10. Old Business:

a. Retirement & Farewell Celebrations

Judy McGarry, Lisa Smith and Kelly Hall are working on planning these events. Possible dates being discussed are June 10th & 17th.

Schedule Next Meeting

The next meeting of the council will be held on June 20, 2012, beginning at 5:30pm in the Parish Center at All Saints, St. Stanislaus. This will be a joint meeting of the finance committee and council to work on the budget for fiscal year 2012-2013.

11. Closing Prayer

The council recited their mission statement together and the closing prayer was prayed as a group.

*Respectfully submitted by,
Gail Estes*