

St. Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes April 23, 2012

In Attendance: Deb Young, Lynn Owen, Tony Scoggin, Laurie Steinkamp, Al Rothermich, Chris Unterreiner, Celeste Leuck, Mary Bryne, Fr. Jim Benz, Mary Kay Agnew, Mike Mohrmann, Dan Pelikan, Donna Pundmann, Fr. Terry Borgerding **Excused:** Deacon Mark McCarthy

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm and opened with Evening Prayer.

Minutes of March 26, 2012 meeting were approved as submitted

Council minutes will be posted on our website. Concern was expressed about what to withhold and when to post the minutes. It was decided that the Executive Committee would decide if anything needs to be withheld at the following committee meeting, with the edited minutes posted online afterward. Celeste will look into a password-protected area for unedited minutes for Council use. That the minutes are now on the website will be announced in the bulletin and on the website.

Formation: Parish Council Binder – Decision Making by Consensus

Council looked over the Decision Making by Consensus, comparing and contrasting the Consensus model with Robert's Rules. Consensus considered courtesy and common sense, but could possibly lead to indecision. Under the Consensus model, emphasis is on acknowledging each persons ideas and making the best decision *the group* can make at the particular time.

Discussion Items

Council reports for the Liturgy, PTO, Men's Club, and School Board were distributed and reviewed. The last council met with groups once and feedback was provided via letter. Most organizations felt they could use more volunteers.

Current Council will continue to look at other ministries who have already submitted surveys as a way to get up to speed on what is happening around the parish. Council will test this through viewing highlights from these organizations' minutes: School Board, Liturgy, PTO, Men's Club, Endowment, and Finance.

Lastly, Council continued discussion of a parish-wide survey. Format, specific questions, and logistics are still to be determined. Al Rothermich will collect specific suggestions from Council Members and compile for next meeting.

Pastor's Time

Living Rosary coming up. Stewardship committee hosting coffee & donut social for new Catholics. Confirmation on May 1. Missouri Right to Life has a petition in the Gathering Space this weekend and next. The "Alive in Christ" process for families struggling to afford Catholic education continues. First Communion is Saturday, May 5.

Questions and Comments

Meeting closed with a prayer from the USCCB's Faithful Citizenship website

Agenda Meeting to be determined by Executive Committee

Next Meeting May 29, 2012, at 7pm