

St. Cletus Parish Council Meeting Minutes

July 19, 2022

In Attendance: Fr. Jim Benz, Deacon Mark McCarthy, Zeonia Christy, Jan Joeckel, Jim Streit, Rick Bates, Carol Callahan, Angie DeGooyer, Lori Geisman, Valerie Heien, Carolyn Martin, Chrissy Poulter, Gregg Viscomi, Gwen Williams.

Absent: Fr. Mark Whitman

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Ministry Review: No ministry was present at this meeting.

Gathering / Minutes / Formation:

- **Opening prayer** by Carolyn Martin.
- **Minutes** from the June meeting were reviewed.
 - Several typos were found and corrected. Discussed the wording of the New Business item. Carolyn Martin moved that we amend this bullet point to read: “The council discussed the role of ministries supporting causes or programs that have *not been vetted and approved by the Pastoral Team.*” Second by Jim Streit. M/C unanimously.
 - Motion by Chrissy Poulter to approve minutes as amended. Second by Carolyn Martin. M/C unanimously.
- **Formation:** Carol Callahan and Carolyn Martin provided a creative opportunity for the council to take 5 minutes to “*Have Fun*” (the title of this month’s homework chapter from Chris Stefanick’s “Living Joy” book.)

Old Business:

- **St. Cletus Pastoral Strategic Planning (PSP) Progress:**
 - Launch will be the weekend of **August 6-7**.
 - Fr. Benz will give a brief announcement after each Mass. Parish Council members will be available after each Mass to answer questions and distribute information.
 - Chrissy Poulter and Zeonia Christy: will finalize a bulletin insert for that weekend, will touch base with PTO re: using that Donut Sunday (sponsored by PTO) to distribute materials about the PSP, will look into a Saturday evening Mass alternative (cookies in the gathering space?), and will look into creating a QR code for parishioners to access more information.
 - Lori Geisman will explore the possibility of a “PSP bulletin board” to keep in the gathering space.
 - Fr. Benz will locate the large posters that we used last year to promote the PSP, for display in the gathering space Aug 6 & 7.
- **Service Pillar Initiative:**
 - Jan Joeckel & Lori Geisman have volunteered to assist Laura Henderson with our Parish website; they’ve created formatting standards for a ministry to submit their information quickly and easily, ensuring appropriate and consistent content across the website.
 - Fr. Benz will check into the viability and potential cost of possibly creating a St Cletus email address for each ministry.
- **Pillar Structure:**
 - We were reminded to utilize the Parish Council Google Shared Drive for storing all pillar meeting agendas and meeting minutes.

New Business:

- **Pastoral oversight of ministry positions:**
 - We drafted tentative language to address ministry statements/positions. We will revisit this language at our August meeting.
 - Tentative language: “Any group or individual that intends to make public information (in any form) that could be interpreted as representing a position of St. Cletus must receive prior approval from Pastoral Leadership.”

Pastor’s Time:

- Fr Benz updated the PC members on upcoming activities of the parish:
 - Walking With Purpose new session is starting up in mid-August.
 - Blaze (for 6th-8th girls, created by WWP) is in planning phase.
 - All Things New status and upcoming activities.

- 2022 Year-end Report is almost complete.

Conclusion:

- **Next meeting:** 3rd Tuesday: **Aug 16, 2022** @ Duchesne Room; Snacks @ 6:45; Meeting @ 7pm.
 - Opening/Closing Prayers will be by: Gwen Williams
 - Formation Homework: Read *Living Joy* book: “Rule 5: Engage Your Body in the Battle for Joy”
- **Closing prayer** by Carolyn Martin

Adjourned by 9:00 pm

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