

SS. Peter and Paul Parish Pastoral Council

Minutes of Meeting September 19, 2011

Present: Mary Beth Brummond, Jerry Buch, Tom Gavin, Kristine Gorecki, Brendon Heffron, Steve Keeley, Tom Lupinacci, Dolly McCarthy, Margie Sznajder, Ashley Wesolowski, Bob Wold, Fr. Milota, Jane Bowers

Absent: Paul Gallo

I. Opening Prayer

Tom Gavin called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and Fr. Milota led the opening prayer.

II. Approval of August Minutes

The minutes of the August 15, 2011 meeting were approved with the correction to VI.B., last line, changing “totally” to “totaling”, on a motion by Bob Wold, seconded by Tom Lupinacci.

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

IV. Open Forum

Fr. Milota was complimented on his very thoughtful, well presented presentations at Mass this past Sunday.

V. Commission Reports

A. Teen Update

Ashley Wesolowski said on Mondays the teens were studying the Book of Genesis for their Bible study; and Thursdays they were studying the Theology of the Body. The last two weekends they also helped with the 8th grade retreat.

B. New Evangelization

Tom Lupinacci distributed an update on their work. He said on October 7-8 there is a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Good Help. RCIA began on September 13 with 11 new candidates. The preliminary work is done for the Fisherman’s Net; and they expect to do a soft launch in October.

C. Worship

Brendon Heffron said the commission did not meet. Everything is ready for the Luminary Mass. Adorers are still needed for the Adoration Chapel. They will have an event for the Alter boys and girls of either bowling or laser tag.

D. Christian Service

Tom Gavin said the Commission will meet next week.

E. Religious Education

Bob Wold said enrollment is up 8% and distributed an enrollment summary. They have also begun a punch card system for children in RE to have punched when they attend weekend Masses.

F. Parish Life

No report.

G. Administration

Jerry Buch said that the Church is currently running more of a deficit than budgeted for Sunday collections and about double last year. There will be a push in November for Parishioners to go on automatic payments for their weekly Sunday donations.

The school is doing well; they have a higher than budgeted enrollment.

RE has a surplus.

There will be a meeting Thursday with North Central College to discuss their use of the St. Paul Center next school year.

VI. Capital Campaign

Fr. Milota said that \$910,000 has been pledged to date. Fr. Milota spoke at all Masses the prior weekend about the Capital Campaign. A mailing went out today to 4,300 households. A week from Wednesday there will be a meeting; and the first weekend in October committee members will be speaking at the Masses. Beginning in November, they will begin making follow up calls and send out a reminder post card.

VII. Old Business

A. Update on Review of Constitution

Tom Lupinacci distributed a draft of possible changes which were reviewed and those confirmed will be changed.

VIII. New Business

A. Neighborhood Meetings

We are looking to have our next Neighborhood meeting on Thursday, February 2. We are not looking to have in any particular area and people were asked to check their calendars. More next meeting.

IX. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was given by Margie Sznajder.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.