

St. Augustine's Parish Council
Sept. 11, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Present: Fr. Cliff Auth, Mike Conway, Anne Domanico, Fred Furtek, Deb Krisher, Jim McKenna,
 Dc. John Pedrotti, Dan Rys, Lynn Shepard Scott, Patricia Urban, Christine VanderVoort, Patricia William
 Excused: Dave Klementowski

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision/ Action
Welcome	Dinner was provided by Mike Conway. Meeting started at 6:40 pm. Pat Williams introduced the new members of the 2017 Parish Council; Pastor Cliff Auth and Stewardship Rep. Fred Furtek.	
Opening Prayer	Gospel reading and reflection was from Matt.: 18: 21-35, led by Chris V.	
Approval of May 2017 Minutes	Approved by Lynn S., seconded by Anne D. No discussion.	
Pastoral Council Nomination of Officers for 2017	-Council members anonymously nominated other members. These nominees agreed or declined their nomination. -After a period of discernment (for those who agreed to serve), the following PC members agreed to the following positions: Pat Urban - Chair Dan Rys - Vice- Chair Lynn Shepard Scott and Mike Conway - Dual Secretaries	-The new officers were approved by all present.
Suggestion Box Report/ Suggestion Box Rep. Selection	- Chris VanderVoort agreed to continue as Suggestion Box rep. - 2 suggestions were submitted: 1) "Communication Issue": to explore the streams of communication within the parish, especially between committees and parishioners, as needed. Fr. Cliff- "Is it possible to have the PC minutes put out on the Parish website?"	1) Chris will reach out to suggestion -sender for specifics on this communication concern.

<p>Suggestion Box (continued)</p>	<p>-Fr. Cliff also suggested that if the PC minutes were sent out to <i>all</i> PC members for any revisions (rather than just PC Officers) the minutes could be “pre-approved”, eliminating the necessity of approval at the following meeting.</p> <p>2) Youth Ministry: It was suggested that a Youth Ministry task force be created with interested adults, parents, and youth to address the future of youth ministry within the parish.</p> <p>-Fr. Cliff : It would be important to have Jim Garvey (CYO Coordinator) attend a forthcoming PC meeting and have a conversation pertaining to the CYO program at St. Augustine’s.</p>	<p>- Mike C. will check with Meg Castellini PC minutes can be added to the website as a monthly addition.</p> <p>-Fr. Cliff’s “PC Minutes” suggestion was approved by all present.</p> <p>- Consensus that this would be valuable.</p>
<p>Selection of Diocesan Pastoral Council Rep.</p>	<p>Pat W. - Council rep. would need to attend 4 scheduled Diocesan meetings and report to the Council on the contents of discussion. Meetings are Sept. 9, Nov. 4, March 3 (2018) and May 5.</p>	<p>- Anne D. has elected to take the position for the year.</p>
<p>Ministry Updates</p>	<p>Jim M.(Liturgy): “Coffee and Donuts”will need to be maintained by groups other than CYO. Social Action Comm. will address coffee and doughnut coverage at their 9/18/17 meeting.</p> <p>Pat W. - Creation of a new Church Ministry?</p> <p>Deb K. - “monthly responsibility” option (by various ministries)to the coffee and doughnuts problem may not be a good solution since ministries may not want “c & d” added to their responsibilities.</p> <p>Anne D. (Parish Outreach) : No Social Action meeting until Sept.</p> <p>Pat U.(Spiritual Development): 5 adults presently enrolled in the RCIA program (plus 3 children).</p> <p>Fred F. (Stewardship): Tickets for “Holiday Grand Finale” are ready for distribution. Date is Nov. 18th.</p> <p>Chris V. (Finance): “We continue to maintain our strong financial position thanks to Fr. Tom’s efforts. Items on our repairs and maintenance list will be addressed at next Finance meeting. (TBD)”</p>	<p>- Ministry chairs need to be approached for temporary solution to this problem.</p>
<p>Pastor’s Comments</p>	<p>“...It was my choice to be here at St. Augustine’s (and St. Mary’s). I have no intention of changing the mass schedule. Parish stability is vital. (The) Leadership is very important to me. I am excited as to the possibilities of this parish. The parish needs to be the center of families’ lives.”</p>	

Other	<p>Pat U. - We need to get a "Covenant Weekend " Committee group started as soon as possible.</p> <p>Deb K. - Covenant Weekend will be on the weekend of April 28/ 29th this year (Easter is on April 1st)</p> <p>Mike C. - It would be nice to send a welcoming card (and spiritual gift?)to our "O'Brien Rd. neighbors", the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church RC.</p>	-Mike C. will look into this.
Closing Prayer	Our prayer ended the meeting at approx. 8:45 pm. Next meeting will be Oct. 9th, 2017.	

