

MQHR Parish Pastoral Council Minutes 5/25/10

Members in attendance: Fr. Bob Nieberding, Cora Mudd, Jeanne Suchanek, John Saindon, Jeff Schriefer, Ginger Fraser, Ron Wedding, Kevin Lamping

Additional Attendee: Margarita Rodriguez

John Saindon called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Fr. Bob lead us in prayer.

April minutes were approved.

Margarita Rodriguez attended our meeting to make a proposal to the committee. She would like to organize a trip to Beech Bend park on July 17th for church members. This would be an opportunity for the two cultures within our church to join together for a fun day at the park. She has contacted Wombles and obtained pricing for the bus transportation. Busses would leave Mary Queen at 7:30 am and return at 11:00pm. The cost is \$50.00 per person which includes admission, lunch and the bus ride there and back. Beech Bend has both a water park and amusement park. There is a \$17 – \$18 reduction in cost if drive on your own. Fees must be paid in advance.

Discussed proposal briefly. Follow ups:

- 1) Insurance- ask Walter if there are any coverage issues. We have done trips like this with kids but not a family outing with adults.
- 2) Virtus training – will talk to Laura Hack on this.

Committee approved if above “follow ups” result in no issues being identified.

Evangelization – Bill was absent so Father Bob gave a brief report—Corpus Christi coming up; procession with Eucharist will occur after 11:00am Mass; Worship corner in bulletin has been done by Fr. Nick up through Corpus Christi. Deacon Rood will begin writing it after that.

Looking for Lectionary that was here prior to Fr. Muench.

Worship committee – Fr. Bob gave the report; Michelle Cobb, director of the Early Childhood formation group has asked to form an advisory committee for the K-5 group. The feeling is they need to have a separate advisory committee from the older groups. This is mentioned for our information. Also, the Formation Program is creating a website. It will have a link to the parish website. Laura Hack is working on that.

Stewardship and Development –report given by Jeanne Suchanek. We have 50 entries in the logo contest. Still need prizes. Becky Brown will get together a group to judge the contest once school is out. All Time and Talent data has been input into the system. We received 40 – 60 more responses than last year. This year Jeanne will pull together reports of responses by committee to distribute for follow up. Fr. Bob mentioned the importance of committee chairs following up.

The option of having a “ministry fair” at the parish picnic has been mentioned. It would be an opportunity for each ministry to set up a booth to provide information on what they do. Needs discussion with ministry coordinators. Has been discussed with Fr. Bob. Fr. Bob expressed concerns saying the parish picnic is supposed to be a fun activity for all vs marketing.

Are asking ministry coordinators to put together annual reports. Will be producing a glossy four page document that gives metrics about the various ministries. This is on schedule.

Annual appeal was given this last Sunday. Little over \$20,000 committed. Most took envelopes home. The committee is giving folks a couple of weeks to respond then will follow up.

It was mentioned that Walter needs to call the Catholic Center to remind them to contact him when they receive commitments from our parish. Historically, response to this is low. Parish has to make these payments this year. \$44,000 is required each quarter and we must make payment in July. Annual appeal figure is part of the Capital Campaign money that goes to the diocese. \$1.1 million was pledged and \$300,000 remains

Jeanne is also pursuing matching grants, employee matches, etc. --- ways to expand contributions through relationships of this type.

John mentioned that someone said to him “ I got something from the office!” Jeanne sent letters to those who signed up for these ministries to acknowledge receipt of the information. eCards are being investigated, too.

Picnic as a fun thing verses marketing. It is important to get the invitation out to the Hispanics. Fr. Bob will discuss this with Fr. Eulicies. Ron suggested that the Knights could man the grills at the picnic. Ron will follow up with Jim Holthaus of the Knights.

Social Justice- no report-- We still do not have a representative. Cora Mudd will talk with Connie Kotzbaur to get more information to determine if she wants to trade positions at the end of her term.

Community life- report given by Cora Mudd; (see attached)

PPC MEETING - MAY 25, 2010

Community Life

- 1. A Town Hall Meeting was held on May 16, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. This was hosted by Father Bob. He announced our new pastor at Mary Queen is Father Dan Noll. Father Bob also discussed the up-coming Annual Appeal and current issues facing our parish . He then opened the meeting to questions from the parishioners. Coffee, donuts and juice were served before the meeting.**
- 2. A Marian Concert was held at Mary Queen on May 19, 2010 at 7 p.m. The participation by the choir was a tribute to Mary, the patroness of our parish. At the end of the concert was a May crowning by 3 of the 1st Communion participants. Refreshments were served after the concert.**

ADULT & FAMILY MINISTRY

- 1. The Catholic Action Center dinner on Sunday, May 23rd was a success. Lots of food and volunteers.**

Respectively Submitted: Cora R. Mudd

Communications committee – report given by Ron Wedding—still working on the sign. Margaret is liaison between the Hispanic and English community. Sign is to have some Hispanic information, too. Communications committee members are not all able to attend the committee meetings due to work responsibilities. Sue Knies is one of the main ones. Ron will follow up with Walter to see if Sue Kiness can get access to wireless network available here at the church.

School Board – reported by Fr. Bob. Parish position on the School Board is an elected position if more than one person is nominated/running. Tom Buchanan will be parish rep to school board since he is unopposed. An election is being held to fill the school parent position on the committee.

Finance – Walter was absent; A small group met and decided that they want to have a planning session to discuss the tasks the Finance subcommittee should be working on. Planning date will be on the 24th or 31st of July; estimate the meeting lasting approximately 5 hours. Gary Morin, who is also involved in a lot of committee formation work, will be the facilitator.

Fr. Dan will be at Finance meeting; also at Parish Council planning meeting. His July is getting kind of full.

Give some thought to having a Parish Council planning session with Fr. Dan, too.

Business Manager – no report

New business – none.

Old business – Parish council vacancies: The two positions, Liaison to Finance and Committee Chair are both elected positions; However, since no one responded to the bulletin notices asking for people to apply, we did not expect to have an election. It would be best if Fr. Noll appointed the people to fill the vacancies. Bill Drane and Steve McCauley have mentioned interest. Not sure if Mike Hogge is also interested. Also, Jeanne thinks two names for Parish Council came up from Time and Talent. Jeanne will give to Fr. Bob tomorrow. John will follow up with Mike, Bill and Steve and get back with Fr. Bob.

Pastor's report- Fr. Bob gave report - Fr. Dan can be contacted at Dnoll@cdlex.org. He is eager to join us. He came to the staff meeting last week. He is very experienced---has been in pastoral positions since 1987. When a pastor comes to the parish there is usually an installation process. Fr. Bob provided two dates that would work for Fr. Dan. Group recommended July xx, 2010 at 11:00 mass. Fr. Bob will follow up to see if Bishop is available.

Fr. Bob closed us with prayer.

The next Parish council meeting will be on June 22, 2010 @ 7:00pm.