

## **Catholic Community of Waukesha Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date of Meeting:** Thursday, September 20, 2018

**Members Present:** Cathy Bailey, Sue Bernhardt, Fr. Harry Buzbuzian, Boni Danner, JoAnne Burgardt , Dan Domach, Greg Garland, Mary Garrity, Flor Gonzalez, Fr. Howard Haase, Jim Hinchman, Rozaline Janci, Marty Larson, John MacGregor, Rob Olejniczak, Jason Pechloff, Fr. Jorge Perez, Dale Sinkula, Jennifer Wall, Fr. Chuck Wrobel, John Shaughnessy

**Excused:** Luanne Corcoran, Chris Brown, and Fred Cruz

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. with our statement of how the meeting will be successful and was begun with prayer and reflection.

### **Topics/Issues/Projects Discussed**

- St Williams parishioner spoke about removing the picture and name of Archbishop Weakland from the Vercelli House.
- John Shaughnessy spoke about Finance, Hiring, and Presence at each of the four parishes.
- Pastoral Council members are asked to send input to John regarding the information that he gave us.
- October 18 meeting has been changed to October 24 because all four priests will be at a conference.

### **Decisions Made**

- - October 18 meeting has been changed to October 24 because all four priests will be attending a conference.

### **Follow-up Work / Person(s) Responsible**

- Boni and Jason will coordinate the Pastoral Council picture for each of the four churches. The picture will be up at all four churches by December 2.

The meeting concluded at 8:36 p.m. with a closing prayer

**Next Pastoral Council Meeting:** Wednesday, October 24, 2018, 7:00 p.m., Vercelli House

## Discussion Details:

### St Williams Member has a Request

- A member of St. Williams came to the meeting and wanted to speak. He is asking that we remove the picture and the naming of a room of Archbishop Weakland at the Vercelli House. Rob would like the group to think about suggestions as to how to handle this situation. We will resolve the issue and provide rationalization for the change that we will include in future communication.
- We need to get out the message to the four churches of Waukesha that if they would like to speak to the Pastoral Council, they must let us know before the meeting.

### John Shaughnessy Presentation

#### 1. Financial Update

- Transparency is the word
- Annual meeting for Finance will take place at all four churches by the end of October.
- Kris Jamieson has submitted her letter of retirement

#### 2. Hiring Status

- Bob Gallagher will oversee all 4 churches music and liturgy starting October 16.
- Director of Communication and Stewardship will be hired by November 1.
- Associate Director of Communication and Stewardship will be hired within 30 days.

#### 3. Presence

- According to John, he feels that St. Mary's and St. Joseph business offices are very functional
- St John Neumann will have Janet Yanke help with the transition for the next 30 to 90 days. Janet will be there for 50% of her day.
- St William's will reopen the business office in the church.
- All business offices will be open Monday through Thursday from 8-4. The offices will be open on Friday from 8-12.
- St Williams business office will shut down on Sunday's unless volunteers can be found to keep it open.
- John is looking for more volunteers at each of the churches from 8-12 and 12-4.
- We will finalize the presence and location of staff plan at our October meeting and John will implement by Advent.

John requested input from the Pastoral Council regarding his presentation. The following are the beginning of the suggestions:

1. Is St. Mary's business office really functional?
2. Suggestion for having office hours one night a week.
3. Suggestion to offer office hours on Sunday's for all four churches.
4. Why are phones systems at all four churches not all tied into together?
5. Are employee's offered Flex Time?
6. Suggestion of one phone number for all four churches.

#### Closing Comments from Priests

- Father Howard mentioned that there are currently 220 priests today in Southeastern Wisconsin. In 5 years 60% or 132 will retire.