

Pastoral Council Meeting

January 28, 2010

6:15

St. Michael's Cafeteria

Meeting called	Fr. Bill and Council Leaders	Type of meeting:	Monthly
Facilitator:	Jean Tehan	Secretary:	Laurie Bootz
Attendees:	Sean Bennett , Laurie Bootz, Deacon Peter Burek, Bruce Chopp, Steve Crooks, Fr. Bill Grevatch, Rose Kampschroer, Pat Kinney, Mike Meverden, Fr. Greg Michaud, Sara Ryan, Jill Schlueter, Tom Schneider, Sue Soriano, Glen Sowinski, Denise Sullivan, Jean Tehan and Glen Witter.		
	Staff: Bernice Kozlowski.		
	Guests: Phil Menzner.		
	Absent: Mary Brotz, Sherry Kiefer, John Neumueller, Steve Opatik, and Ann Robison.		

Minutes

Call to Order: 6:35 with a prayer

Agenda item:	Newman Catholic Schools Update	Presenters:	Phil Menzner, Fr. Bill Grevatch
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bishop approved scenario #2:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>St. Michael - Licensed Child Care, Preschool, 4 Pre-K</i><i>St. Anne - Grade K-5</i><i>St. Mark - Preschool, 4 Pre-K, Grades K-5</i><i>Newman - Grades 6-12</i><i>St. Therese - Licensed child care</i><i>Parish school buildings not used: Resurrection, St. Matthew, Holy Name.</i>• There will be more collaboration between Pastors on saying Mass at schools and expenses. Pastors from all parishes need to be seen in the schools. Roles need to be better defined.• Holy Name Child Care is being moved to St. Michael's.• Formulas will be reviewed so it is equal for all parishes for things such as building expenses and maintenance.• School naming must be done so there is no connection with a particular parish.• There was a discussion on what is Catholic Identity. What does that mean to you? Some of the responses were: teachers should be Catholic; textbooks should be up-to-date; Jesus, the Holy Eucharist; mission statement; strong curriculum; parent education; teaching the differences of different faiths to elementary students; service to community.		

Conclusions: It will take time to restructure.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item:	Catholic Fire	Presenter:	Glen Witter
Discussion:	Catholic Fire was started In 2005 with Fr. Gross. Jeff Plier is the current President and they meet quarterly. There are four parishes that are sponsoring this program: St. Anne's, St. Matthews, St. Michaels and Resurrection.		
	Jeff is seeking a replacement as he has held this position for some time. A vehicle is needed to get people meaningfully involved. The organization needs participation, organization and ideas to flourish.		
	Check out the URL: catholicscomehome.org		

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ If you are interested, contact Glen Witter	All	
✓ Pray for this organization	All	

Agenda item: Parish Mission **Presenter:** Fr. Bill Grevatch

Discussion: Was well attended and went very well. Discussion turned to possibly having a mission of sorts monthly. Is this something that would fall under the Catholic Fire umbrella?

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Agenda item for February meeting	Agenda Committee	
✓		

Agenda item: Live4Him 2010 Catholic Youth Rally **Presenter:** Fr. Greg Michaud

Discussion:

- It is in the early stages of planning. Tentative date is May 8th. More information to follow.
- Newman High School should be the venue for these types of events and for planning organizations.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item: NAOMI **Presenter:** Bruce Chopp

Discussion:

- Covenanting Celebration on Sunday, January 31st at 3:00pm at St. Stephens Lutheran Church. Fr. Bill will be introducing the speaker. There will be a social after.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Ushers are needed, contact Bruce		
✓		

Agenda item: Parish Committee Updates **Presenter:** Various

Discussion:

- Family Life – Jill Schlueter – the movie “Fireproof” will be shown on Sunday, January 31st in the St. Michael’s Chapel directly after Mass.
- Education – Denise Sullivan – the youth bonfire has been postponed due to the weather. It will be rescheduled.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
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Agenda item: Financials **Presenter:** Pat Kinney and Glen Witter

Discussion:

- St. Michael's did well at Christmas and is a little ahead with Sunday envelopes. There is an \$11,500.00 expense at the school for some fire alarm equipment that may be necessary.
- Expense controls have gone very well within the parishes.
- Diocesan Appeal continues. This should be a separate article in the bulletin instead of putting it with the financials.
- Resurrection is about \$65,000.00 off budget.

Conclusions:

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

✓ Separate article in the bulletin for Diocesan Appeal

Staff

✓

Agenda item: Other Business

Presenter: Various

Discussion:

- Lenten dinners, the council and committees will be asked to help one evening. More information to come.
- St. Michael's Lenten Soup Kitchen proceeds will go to their sister parish in Bolivia.
- Cabin Fever party is Sunday, January 31st at 5:30pm in the St. Michael's Gathering Space.
- We need to do a better job feeding the "rural" homebound via the Soup Kitchen.
- Montessori school system is looking for school space.

Conclusions:

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

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Other Information

Special notes:

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 with a prayer.

Next meeting Tuesday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Michael's Gathering Space