

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH
Pastoral Council Meeting
June 11, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Fr. Mark, Martha Cucco, Kurt Kayser, Sandra Cruz, Dave Bergsma, Marianne Weber, Kathleen Dobbler, Gene Bulla and Lois Maywald. Millie McCormick and Kathie Murray attended via teleconference.

As Vice Chairperson, Kurt called the meeting to order at 6:30. Fr. Mark led the opening prayer. Kathleen made a motion to accept the agenda as printed. Dave seconded and the agenda was accepted. Kathleen then made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 14th meeting. Dave seconded and the minutes were approved.

FATHER MARK'S REPORT: Fr. Mark reported that Eric said they are still waiting on approval of the film that goes on the windows and the numbers go over it. Gene said they have decided to go with alpha instead of numbers so the numbers have to go back and they have to order the letters. The film prevents the glass from shattering and prevents a bullet from shattering the glass in the event of an active shooter. Fr. Mark said they have set up a search committee for the new principal. People chosen are: Trustee Martha Cucco, Chairperson Shelly Bergsma, Patti Black, Kelly Greenberg, Laura Bergesen, Michael Deane and Sandra Cruz. June 30, 2019 is the last day on Eric's contract. Fr. Mark said next Monday there will be a combined meeting with St. Benedict and SFDS to do calendars through the next year.

OLD BUSINESS: Millie asked to have a quick up-date from each committee.

Finance: The budget for next year was approved in May. They did a few modifications at this meeting. They also approved an investment strategy. They had a report from Building and Grounds that the vendor who cut the grass has quit and they are going to get a new company.

Stewardship: Martha said the benefit at the Driehaus Estate is sold out. This brings the parish a profit of \$12,500. They are working on a campaign to increase summer mass attendance. She went to all the resorts in the area and left business cards with the mass times. Postcards have been sent out to the parishioners listing the summer events. Millie asked about the brochures that used to be in the pews. Martha said they were obsolete and they are working on redoing them. She said they would like to do a campaign of "Time and Talent." This would be something like "We need three more people to volunteer for (fill in the blank)." It would be very specific. Marianne suggested that we ask other organizations if we could advertise in their programs.

Faith Formation: Kathleen said she met with Maureen Redmer. She is going to talk with Fr. Mark to set a date for them to sit down with Fr. Mark for a few minutes to decide what is practical for this parish.

Hispanic Ministry: Sandra talked to the Hispanic community about changing their meeting date to correspond with Council's meetings. They are working on setting up a committee to work on Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sandra wants to put a half page or a full page in the bulletin to let everyone know what

the Hispanic community is doing. The Emmaus women are planning a retreat for November 8-10. They meet every Tuesday for Benediction.

School Liaison: Dave had a meeting with the SA committee on May 20th. They discussed the survey that was sent to the parents. They also discussed the bullying. Millie asked if Council could see the surveys. Dave said it would be up to Fr. Mark. Millie said she felt the surveys should be continued. Martha said we should also do a survey to parishioners about how they see the parish.

Fall Fest Update: The committee held their initial meeting last week. They decided on a German theme for the food, etc. The next meeting will be June 26th. They are meeting every two weeks. The Fall Fest will be September 22nd, starting at 11:30. The raffle drawing will be at 4:30. They are looking at different ideas for food. Kathleen said she works with the Hispanic committee to do the decorations. She asked that the committee let her know what colors the theme should be. Dave suggested that we should have someone from SAC on the committee for Fall Fest, etc. and someone from Council on the committees for other events, such as those planned by the SAC.

Safety/Security Committee Update: There has been no meeting at the school since March. Kurt said the Safety Committee should be one committee, not two separate ones. Millie said we need to get a committee going. Dave agreed that we need to begin building a committee. Fr. Mark and Dave will work on this.

Rectory Committee Update: Kathie said the work day was cancelled due to bad weather. Millie and Bob McCormick and Kathy did some painting before the rain began. A structural engineer looked at the work that Chris Weber did. They are working very close with Building and Grounds. Kathie said the first line of business is fixing the porch. The engineer said everything is good. The temporary construction holds up the porch now and it is pretty solid, but should not be expected to hold it up for another winter. There will be a second collection on June 22-23. Ed McCord is writing an elevator speech for the masses that weekend.

NEW BUSINESS:

Usher Concerns: There have been comments that two **unrelated** ushers should be doing the collections. They were not happy with leaving the first collection unprotected in the back when doing a second collection. It was decided that the ushers will bring the first collection up and put it on the altar when they start the second collection. It was mentioned that related ushers are being accepted since there is a shortage of ushers. We should put a notice in the bulletin that we need more ushers. They will discuss it at Prayer and Worship meetings. We should also ask the ushers if they have any ideas on who would be interested in becoming an usher. Dave suggested that we have training in the church for the ushers. Millie said the training should also include greeters.

Ice Cream Retirement Social: Mrs. Patti Black is retiring after 43 years teaching at SFDS. Kathleen is doing a full page article for the bulletin. Dave will contact Culver's for the ice cream. Martha said Culver's donates the ice cream and they have it already scooped so we just have to put it in the cups.

Michael Deane has information to give out at the masses. Millie said we need volunteers to work that morning. There will be an article in the bulletin that people should bring in photos.

The next meeting will be July 9th. There is no meeting in August.

Sandra said there is a change in the Steubenville trip from St. Paul to Rochester, Minnesota.

Fr. Mark said he has to set a date for the Parish Council installation. He chose July 20-21.

Lois made a motion to adjourn. Sandra seconded it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Maywald
Secretary