

**St. Mary's Cathedral
Parish Council Minutes**
October 28, 2008

Chair: Deb Castellanos
Recorder: Judy Barthelemy

1. Called to order at 7:34p.m. by Deb Castellanos

- 1.1 Gathering prayer by Peter Donohue, Fr. Anthony Oelrich on a retreat
- 1.2 Roll Call

Attending:

Judy Barthelemy (2010), Randy Bayerl (2010), Suzanne Nordos (2009), Mike Boyle (2009), Deb Castellanos (2009), Jodi George (2011), Jim Wildeson (2011), Peter Donohue (Trustee), Hannah Wocken (youth rep), Joe Ackerman

Absent:

Matt Lucas (2010), Sheila Reineke (2011), Fr. Tony Oelrich, Ann Coffel

2. Agenda was reviewed and approved. No additions made. Mike Boyle made motion to approve, Jodi George 2nd.

3. Minutes from the September 23, 2008 meeting were approved. Mike and Peter did not receive minutes from 9/08. Approved by Mike Boyle, 2nd by Randy Bayerl

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Visioning:

-- Randy, Peter, Jim and Joe attended the 8-3-08 leadership workshop. 21 parishes represented. The focus was on leadership activities "Pastoral vs. Parish" Council. Presentation given.

--How do we establish a mission" (time/talent survey)

--How do we accomplish a Christ centered perspective

---We need to transition from a parish council to a parish pastoral council and help lead with our pastoral leaders.

---Leaders needed for outreach activities (ex: RCIA, Education, Social)

--Mission is to be a focused parish vs financed parish

A. Identify strengths as a parish

B. Concerns for the parish

C. Identify 1-3 goals for the parish for the year

The concept is well received. Jim Wildeson mentioned revisiting the mission statement for ideas. More discussion planned for 11/25 meeting. **ACTION: Jim and Randy to pull ideas from workshop book and present to council. Council members to expect an email in approx 2 weeks and come prepared to discuss on 11/25/08.

Mike made a motion to table identification of strengths, concerns, and goals and consider implementing a change in our parish council and further discuss

"Revisioning the Parish Pastoral Council". Hannah 2nd the motion.

4.2 Community Assistance Committee---tabled until new council system is discussed.

4.3 Naming Lower Church

-- Discussion on renaming of lower church. Mike moved that, though we deeply appreciate the recommendation to provide a name to the lower church we feel as a diocesan cathedral we continue that the parish council cannot make this decision at this time. Suzanne 2nd the motion.

5. New Business

5.1 Finance: All is looking good. Poor collections continue to do well. We are on budget. St. Mary's Parish is overall, in good financial shape.

5.2 Council Members on Committees: Tabled until the council process is looked at again.

5.3 Minutes need to be in the bulletin per bylaws. Recognition made, but bylaws may change with the council changes that lie ahead. Minutes are in the back of church and on the internet. A note will be placed in the bulletin to note this to parishoners. The agenda being listed in the bulletin may also change with upcoming council changes.

****ACTION:** Judy to send proposed copy of minutes to Katina for Fr. Tony to approve for website posting so website minutes are up-to-date.

A note will be added to the bulletin stating minutes are available in back of the church. Minutes will be pinned to the bulletin board.

****AGENDA ITEM:** Lisa Neu, Faith Formation, would like to speak at our next meeting.

6.0 Next Meeting: 7:30pm Tuesday, November 25th

7.0 Mike moved to adjourn, Suzanne 2nd the motion. Adjournment at 8:43pm.