

Parish Life Committee–May 1, 2019

Attendees: Janet Brimeyer, Lisa Barnett, Sue Scoles, Rick Brimeyer, Nancy Huntley-Kraus, Kate Hartzler

The meeting convened at 7:05 pm with an opening prayer.

Minutes Approved: Minutes for April 11th were approved.

Pastoral Council Update: Kate reported that ballots will be out for parish election. She was proud to share that we have a full-slate of candidates. She gave credit to the team in preparing a full slate to present to the parish. Kate shared that the Safety and Security Committee has reviewed quotes and chosen a vendor for our Parish. There are a few details yet to be confirmed before final approval of Parish Council. Parish Council leaders are currently reviewing facilities discussions from 2015-2017 via board minutes to have a deeper understanding of prior discussions regarding facility renovations at St. Cecilia Parish.

Update to Parish Life Organizational List: No changes.

Old Business:

Recruitment for Parish Life Committee

Recruitment for open position on Parish Life Committee continues. Best practice ideas were discussed by the committee. Janet recommended that we reach out to any candidates on the parish election ballots who are not nominated and discuss open positions on PLC. Kate will forward names of individuals to Sue Scoles when this information is available.

2019/2012 PLC Strategic Initiatives

1. *Develop communication methods to tell the story of Parish Life Committee.* Discussion was held and suggested that PLC host a table at the Ministry Fair (Scheduled for Sept 7-8) and that we promote this event to Liaison Groups within PLC. It was recommended that we email a Save The Date to leaders of the groups. Rick will draft a Save the Date for review next month. It was also recommended that we review the Parish Life Web Site and affiliated groups. Janet will lead this discussion at the June Meeting as she is currently involved in maintaining the data for PLC.
2. *Organize a parish-wide service project * (shared initiative with Social Justice Committee)*
We spent 14 minutes brainstorming a list of potential service projects. Rick will reach out to Doreen Berg with the Social Justice Committee. Ideas included (in no priority of order); Clothing Drive, Food Drive, Spare Change Fund, AMOS ID Drive, Habitat for Humanity, Friendship Ark, Sponsor Migrant Family, Miracle Field/Boys and Girls Club, Parish Wide Clean Up, May Baskets to Assisted Living and Homebound parishioners, Collections for Specific needs – baby items, diapers, underwear/socks, formula. This will be added to the June agenda for continued discussion.

New Business:

AMOS Identification Drive - Janet shared that AMOS is participating in the Central Iowa Community Identification drive. The event is scheduled for Saturday, May 11th. Janet asked the committee for donations of food to assist the families as they wait. Sue Scoles offered to bring 30 snack bars and will get them to Janet next week. If anyone can volunteer for the event, reach out to Janet for more information. Additional information will be in the parish bulletin this weekend.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Conference Room.

The meeting ended with a song to Mary, Ave Maria at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Scoles