

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2010

I. Opening Prayer

Deacon Gohde opened the meeting with a prayer.

II. Roll Call

Present: Marilee Beyer, John Blank, Kim Brown, Joseph Cannella, Gail Downing, Angela Guidone, Vince Furlong, Lawrence Senour, Barbara Tramo, Mark Wetzel, Deacon Bob Gohde

Excused: Carol Ann Ernst, Paula Furman, Father Navit, Meg Szewczak

III. Scripture Reflection

Kim Brown led the Scripture Reflection.

Vince Furlong will lead the Scripture Reflection for the next meeting (January 25th).

IV. Approval of Minutes from Previous (Oct 6th) Pastoral Council Meeting

The minutes were approved as written. Minutes will be posted to the website.

V. Report By Ex Officio Members (Finance, Adult Faith Formation, Religious Ed)

Finance Council: Angela Guidone reported that a Finance Council meeting had not been scheduled since the parish council last met so there was no update.

Youth Ministry – Gail Downing reported on the latest Youth Ministry activities. Attendance and interest is good among the youth. However, Gail reported that parental involvement has been limited and there is a need for more parent participation. A discussion took place on ideas for generating more parent involvement and the canon law policies and requirements for adult supervision in youth ministry organizations and requirements for safe environment courses. Gail also reported on her recent Life Teen conference and training and said that it was a very positive program but would require a large commitment from a dedicated team. This may be pursued further once the church is complete.

VI. Updates

1. **Campaign Committee Update** – An update was provided by Deacon Gohde on the Campaign. It was reported that we have received a very positive response in initial campaign pledges, but these pledges have come from a small percentage of parishioners and full participation will be needed for continued success. The “General Phase” of the campaign will begin soon and this will include the largest portion of the parishioner base. The council also discussed the need to clarify the bulletin messages on the two separate campaigns.

2. Church Dedication Sub-committees

Members of the various committees provided updates. Each committee has had a meeting with their coordinators and work is underway. Angela Guidone proposed a DVD of the Church Dedication to be recorded and photographed by Joe Bradley which parishioners could purchase. It was consensus that this was a good idea. The council also proposed the formation of a new ad committee to handle sponsors, and a separate ad book for the dedication. All committees will continue to meet and should communicate with one another.

VII. October Count

Marilee Beyer distributed a report with count comparisons for October 2009 and 2010. Counts were up by about 1,000 parishioners.

VIII. Nominating Committee for Elections

Marilee Beyer, Joe Cannella, and Kim Brown volunteered for the Nomination Committee. It was determined that the prior years' processes will be followed. Kim and Marilee will locate documents and timeline for the process.

IX. Major Initiatives

Major initiatives for meetings going forward will be the Church dedication and Nomination and Election process along with the Campaign fund raising, and church completion.

X. Catholic Life Congress

The Catholic Life Congress is being held on November 13 at Archbishop Carroll HS.

XI. Next Meeting

The next meeting is January 25, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

XII. Closing Prayer

Deacon Gohde led the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Brown