

# Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes March 28, 2016

### Gathering and call to order

Msgr. John Urell

Herman Indra Chairman

Rick Krugh Vice Chairman

Clare Marie Einsmann Secretary

Nivea Torres Naficy Alternate Secretary

**Margaret Hruz** 

**Noel Nepomuceno** 

Michele Richards

Rick Wlodyga

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Herman Indra, Chairman.

Members present:

Herman Indra Rick Krugh Clare Einsmann Nivea Torres Naficy Margaret Hruz Michele Richards Rick Wlodyga

Member absent:

Monsignor John Urell Noel Nepomuceno

# **Opening Prayer**

Herman Indra presented the opening prayer.

### **Minutes**

Clare Einsmann presented the minutes of the prior meeting. It was noted that there was a typographical error under "New Business". After further discussion, Rick Wlodyga moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Michele Richards seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

### **Action Items**

### Welcoming Reception

Herman Indra reported that the Welcoming Reception on February 28<sup>th</sup> was small but successful. He and Clare Einsmann represented the Pastoral Council. Three new families attended and so did Father William. Joan Jankowski talked about the history of St. Timothy's parish and Herman Indra and Ken Hobbs gave the new parishioners a tour of the campus.

### Welcoming Calls

Nivea Torres Naficy said that she has sent letters to all the new parishioners assigned to her. She is inviting them to the various parish events and asking them to call her if they have any questions. She mentioned that a letter sent to Liam Kar was returned to her and suggested that Steven Angel check the address. Clare Einsmann mentioned that she was able to get through to one of the new parishioners. She indicated that she was very happy to be a member of St. Timothy's and is looking forward to seeing the campus when the construction is completed.

#### **Bricks**

Herman Indra reported that the additional bricks that were purchased are not going to be installed until later this Spring – most likely when the construction is completed.

### Parish Directory

The proof of the Parish Directory has been returned to the publishers. It is anticipated that the Directory will be delivered around April 10<sup>th</sup>. Only those parishioners who are in the directory will receive a copy. He is unsure how the Directories will be delivered to the individual families.

# Kitchen/Hall/Pantry Renovation

Mr. Indra indicated that the tentative completion date that he has heard from the contractor is May  $5^{th}$ . There have been some construction problems/issues and there is always concerns about the weather.

# Casino Night

Clare Einsmann reported that St. Timothy's 2nd Annual Dinner and Casino Night was a success. There were 175 tickets sold (5 less than last year) despite the increased cost. There were some cosmetic changes to the decorations and the decision to sell raffle tickets in addition to the tickets won during gambling. As a result, the event netted a profit of \$3,162.

She indicated that she has already reserved the El Niguel Country Club and the Casino Vendor for February 11<sup>th</sup>.

It was suggested that next year, the parish, attempt to sell the tickets for less. It was also suggested that the youth ministry be approached to create baby-sitting services so the young couples can participate in the event without the additional cost of babysitters. Michele Richards will contact Matt Zemanek to see if there would be interest.

#### Communication

Mr. Indra reported that the parish is looking into removing the shadow boxes at each entrance to the parish campus and replacing them with digital signage. This signage would be run by software and keep the parish community up to date on various parish activities.

### **New business**

### Food Truck Event

Herman Indra reported that the initial food truck event attracted about 400 people but the most recent one only attracted about 300 people. The events are generally scheduled in June and September. If we schedule another event we will have to cut down the number of trucks.

Another option is an international food festival in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus BBQ which will be in June and July. There was a great deal of discussion as to the amount of work involved and the necessary amount of time and effort necessary by the volunteers. And would the volunteers be responsible for making food for 400 guests or simply 50 guests.

A chili cook-off was also suggested as an alternative to the food festival. There was also a suggestion for an international dessert festival.

It was suggested that a survey be sent to the parishioners and ask if they would prefer an international food festival or a food truck event.

Youth – How to Keep Them Involved.

Mr. Indra stated that the teens are currently studying for confirmation. But what will keep them involved after their confirmation?

Clare Einsmann said that she is aware of a retreat program called Emmaus that is sponsored by a parish in Connecticut for high school juniors and seniors. The program is designed by the students for the following year's retreat attendees. It has proven to be very successful in keeping these young people motivated in their Catholic Faith. This might be the type of program that St. Timothy's could adopt for our post confirmation youth.

Discussion then followed about the youth developing a relationship with Christ – let's focus on that relationship, not on the Mass when we are working with the youth. Rick Krugh mentioned that at his university there was "theology on tap" which gave the Catholic students an opportunity to get

together and discuss issues of faith as well as secular issues. We can discuss this program for kids over age 21 with beer and wine with Matt Zemanek.

For the future of the kids we should create a program that is relevant to them. The 5 p.m. Sunday Mass is considered the youth Mass but more can be done to cater to the youth. The youth need to take the ownership of that Mass

# **Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Clare Marie Einsmann Secretary Attested to by,

Herman Indra Chairman