

Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes – Monday, January 6, 2020

A meeting of the Mother of Perpetual Help Pastoral Council was held in the Notre Dame Room at the 106th Street Site on Monday, January 6, 2020.

Council members in attendance were: Mary Maberry, Council Chair, Fr. Jeff Prasser, Gil Van Blaricom, John Czepulis, Jon Leonardelli, Mary Lou Hopkins, and Nancy Wilde; also in attendance were Darryl Draeger, Trustee, Mary Wenger, Parish Business Manager, and Susan Scharmach, Recording Secretary.

Absent from the meeting were Fr. Thomas Vathappallil, Colleen Pluskota, Grace Elliott, and Doug Barnes.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mary Maberry at 6:32 PM
2. Opening Prayer: Mother of Perpetual Help
3. A motion to approve the Agenda was made by Darryl Draeger, seconded by Jon Leonardelli, and unanimously approved
4. Facilities' Update
 - A. Repairs
 - 106th Street
 - Church roof repair is underway; rectory roof is 75% complete; kitchen to be updated; blacktop and catch basin repair are on the list
 - Donation received for a new Eucharistic Adoration Tabernacle to be placed in the Adoration Chapel which will be installed soon
 - 116th Street – Plumbing and electrical will be updated in the school; roof work has begun on the garage
 - 92nd Street – Some roof repairs are necessary
 - B. Logistics of Moving Sites
 - Awaiting bids/estimates on moving costs; behind schedule two months
 - July 1 target date for school move completion
5. Stewardship
 - Mary Wenger reported as of 1/06/2020, 130 pledge cards have been returned
 - Approximately 1,200 registered units
 - Pledge goal is to receive 500 responses
6. Archdiocese Information
 - A. Archdiocesan Capital Campaign – fundraising to meet goal created by Archbishop Listecki
 - 60/40 split – 60% coming back to the parish and 40% staying with the Archdiocese
 - MPH will participate in Phase 3 which starts in spring 2021

B. Catholic Leadership Institute Study – was attended by Fr. Thomas

- Provides leadership and consulting to assist parish leadership competency
- Disciple Maker Index – survey to promote Catholics growth in their relationship with Christ and for parish engagement
- Copy of Disciple Maker Index provided to all Council members for review

7. Non-Profit Tax Law Change

- Change from Lease to Shared Facility Agreement will be implemented starting July 1, 2020
- Can no longer charge dollar amount for facility use; can only charge for actual items invoiced
- Can ask for one-time donation in lieu of any charge
- Further discussion needed on this tax law change

8. First Steps – Pastoral Council Elections

A. Council Size – Discussion on whether to keep Council at 9 members or downsize to 6 members

B. Re-election Information – May-June elections

Council members agreed to advise Mary Maberry via private email by February 14th their thought regarding Council size and whether or not they would be interested in continuing to serve; tally will determine re-election openings

9. New Business

- Brief continuation of discussion re 1-time donation in lieu of festival
- Need consistency of announcements at each site
- Fr. Jeff will address chatter in church before Mass
- Discussion of combining ministries from each site

10. Closing Prayer – Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM with a second Mother of Perpetual Prayer

Next Meeting – Monday, March 2, 2020 at 6:30 PM in the Notre Dame Room at the 106th Street Site

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Scharmach,
Recording Secretary