

Parish Council Meeting Minutes from Meeting Held 1/12/09

Members present: Bill Mack, Glen Allen, Dorothy Zimmerman, Nick Maier, Lee Schuster, Katie Kimlinger, Vicki McNally, Father Al

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Lee moved to approve agenda as written. Glenn seconded and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Lee moved to approve, Katie seconded, motion passed to accept minutes.

Old Business

Committee Minutes Minutes were viewed and discussed briefly. Dorothy moved to accept committee minutes, Glenn seconded and motion passed.

Discussion of Committee Visits Finance committee- some discussion on rental properties, Bill has a volunteer to help with electrical wiring and Lee will help as well. Liturgy Committee- Seeking a design-oriented person to take over leadership of this committee; storage for new artificial wreaths discussed, as well as improving planning and organization from year to year. Faith Formation Committee- two volunteers have stepped forward to coordinate VBS; working on cleaning out loft for New Pathways project. Community Caring for Life – working on postcard initiative to persuade Congress to vote against the Freedom of Choice Act. FOCA would prevent government restrictions on abortions, so the committee is working to keep this legislation from passing.

Church Directory Update- Vicki reported that Olan Mills returned another unsatisfactory proof of the directory that does not have the front page layouts that the Strehlos have helped design. Bill will contact Pete Harald from Olan Mills.

Leadership structure- Discussion was held regarding the Administrative Services Council, with agreement that Stewardship falls under this realm. Suggested some possible chairs for new councils, with the goal to have chairpeople in place for each council by April. Term limits were discussed – no term limits set at this time – this may be something that individual councils have discretion over. Bill will check to see what St. Odelia’s does. It was decided to remove the restriction that council chairs cannot also be liaisons to the parish council.

Cana Dinner – due to difficulty finding a date outside of lent that does not conflict with other events, it was agreed that we will skip the Cana dinner this year.

Appreciation Dinner – Will be held Friday, April 17. Council members will make and serve spaghetti to keep costs down. Dorothy will coordinate food, Bill wine, Katie decorations. Bill will put a “save the date” announcement in the bulletin.

Other No other Old Business was discussed.

New Business

Cameroon Choir and performance- Bill and some other parishioners will go to St. Peter Claver to hear the Cameroon Choir perform at mass, and investigate the possibility of having them sing at mass on May 31.

Veterans CD permission –a request by a parishioner for a fundraiser to buy CDs for veterans was discussed. The request was denied, due to the policy against sales or fundraising at church that is not related to the parish; however the council was amenable to making a small charitable donation to the organization.

Thank You’s – Darlene and Jerry K. for their work on the Liturgy committee – Lee will write; Liturgy committee for Christmas décor – Bill will write.

Closing prayer (“Our Father”), and meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Katie K.