

St. Paul the Apostle Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes January 21, 2019

Attendees: Fr. Yamid Blanco, Alison Donovan, Rick Peltier, Steve Morelli, Jack Johnston, Randy Schlicht, Diane Ingalsbe, Tony Noll, Kim Leslie, Joan Walter, Kristina Knesting, Evelyn Blome

Opening Prayer

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Fr. Yamid's Report:

Fr. Yamid expressed his thanks for everyone who helped make his installation mass a beautiful ceremony. He stated that the Auxiliary Bishop was favorably impressed. Father reported that the Usher meeting went well and there was general consensus on the issues discussed. Changes to the distribution of bulletins will be announced on the first weekend of February and implemented the following weekend. Father said that having both St. Louis and St. Paul choirs on December 23rd was very well received. We will attempt to do this twice a year on Easter and Christmas. Having two masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas day was a success. The ceremonies were beautiful and very well attended. Father commented on the blessing for Baptized babies and their families was well received, even though there were fewer families participating than we might expect. Father thanked those who managed the reception after mass. Two students from Siena Schools will present from the pulpit on January 26/27. St. Catherine's middle school will be closing. Brenda White will present to St. Paul in the spring. Siena is investing in getting technology on an even keel at all schools, starting at St. Patrick's where there is the biggest need. Todd Willems, Siena's Chief Operations Officer will probably present to St. Paul prior to Brenda White's presentation. On February 6th there will be an all parishes meeting at St. Lucy's for a presentation on Siena's building and facilities plans moving forward.

Alison Donovan: Alison reported that Mark Kemmeter will do a presentation on Foxconn's potential impact on Racine parishes and specifically St. Paul. Mark will present on Monday, February 4th at 5:45pm at All Committee night. All Council and Committee members should attend and all parishioners are welcomed. Alison raised the issue that all committees are in need of help. It was decided that the initial focus of recruiting volunteers will start with the Stewardship Committee. Jack Johnston will contact Gary Meiers to gauge his level of willingness to be involved and to enlist his help in rebuilding the committee, including him speaking from the pulpit to attract more volunteers. It was also decided that we should look into contacting new parish members directly to offer them an opportunity to be involved.

Committee Minutes Update: Randy Schlicht reported that the Building and Grounds Committee was looking into a situation about a neighbor who has infringed on St. Paul's property in the past. Apparently the neighbor puts up an above ground pool but the surrounding fence is actually on our property. Building and Grounds wants to take preemptive action and notify the neighbor before he puts up the pool this season. It was decided that building and Grounds should work with Mike Chuchara to formulate an appropriate response to the neighbor.

Jack Johnston reported that Safety and Security had asked for the okay to put numbering above the doors, both inside and out to facilitate emergency planning. The consensus was that it was okay, as long as there is only one number for both the East and West entrances and not for every individual door. The committee also requested a go ahead for concrete barriers or decorative planters to make the East and West entrances more secure against a drive up intruder. The Council asked for more detail as to what

these barriers will be and how much these barriers will cost.

Tony Noll shared his observations regarding the drug presentation that was organized and hosted by Evangelization and Formation. It was suggested that Tony discuss and review with the committee and write up a summary of the conclusions.

Closing Prayer: Fr. Yamid

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Johnston