

PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2009
Corpus Christi Community, Round Lake, NY

Members Present: Connie Beeman, Mary Jo Brown (Sec'y), Carolyn DeSantis, Denise DeWolf, Rev. Edward Golding, Doug Hampton, Joan Haviland, Diane Marco, Dave Mietlicki, Matt Minardi, Angela Paolucci, Nick Papa, Jack Robson, Sharon Ryan, Susan Spadaro, Mike Tidd

Guests: Judy Mullins, Kris Sands

1 Opening Prayer and Reading of Mission Statement.

2 Youth Ministry Report, Matt and Angela:

- A meeting with new youth minister had been held. A lot of new faces were in attendance.
- Youth will make a presentation at Masses after NCYC.
- Bottle drive, bottles for Birthright, etc. will continue.
- New minister wants to “vibe up” youth ministry room.
- Dates have been set for Life Size Monopoly, Y Lockup, etc.

3 Faith Formation, Joan Haviland:

- About 200 people attended September GOF.
- Evaluation sheets were 95% positive. One person said would prefer traditional classrooms. Enjoyed community building of meal, but would prefer to leave earlier in evening. Sunday people would prefer that it begin after 10:30 Mass.
- If she can get catechists, she will break it down even more into different age groups. Joan would invite younger people to a meeting. They would only be doing it 6 times a year.
- First Reconciliation is just about finished.
- Confirmation October 14. Feel free to join them.
- A request was made that Joan pull last year's numbers.

4 Finance, Kris Sands:

- Presentation was made at Masses.
- Meeting the following Tuesday. Jack Robson will attend.
- Dick Cody will have a handle on roofing.
- Tom Rybaltowski has been meeting with people on sidewalks and drainage.
- Rich Farrell from diocese is coming, is financial officer.
- Question about expense category in report. Kris said they were told too much information last year.
- Denise – Do we rent space and what is required? No Virtus training required if no youth involved. Must have insurance and name the Church on it. Have interested party call Angie in the office.

5 Others:

- Diane Marco informed the Council of the Womens Society's efforts to build community. Monthly events planned are Craft Fair in November, Santa Claus on St. Nicholas' Feast Day, etc. Any suggestions are welcome.
- Nick mentioned the Appreciation Day the Council is planning for various ministry members to meet each other. All your events support what we are trying to do here.

6 Website:

- Doug – Perfect segway to web site. We have a device that is not used.
- Angie Stone has been trying to update it. Rob Partlow is the IT guy. Any group may request a key from him to enter information, but nothing is put on without his oversight. It is his job to see that the technical integrity is not breached. He is very willing to sit down and accept help.
- Father will speak with Angie. She could just be the coordinator and we could post events on website.

7 Polling Survey:

- Final discussion.
- Joan requested that the question regarding faith formation be deleted. Some suggestions were made to modify the question, but it was unanimously agreed to delete it. We will wait at least until next year to broach this question. Concerns are salaries for teachers, lack of volunteers in today's society, etc.
- Denise commented on No. 5, Youth Ministry—how to find out interests of kids.
- Distribution and Collection of Surveys: It was decided they will be distributed on October 18 before Mass. A brief announcement will be made before and after Mass. Pencils will be provided and boxes will be available for people to drop them in after Mass. Every adult and teenager should receive one.
- Carolyn will coordinate printing, etc.

8 Meet the Staff:

- It is not easy to select a time when all staff could attend.
- Christine's availability will be the most difficult to determine.
- Sharon and Denise will keep working on this.
- It may have to be moved to January, or combine with the gathering of ministries.

9 Gathering of Ministries:

- Recognition day for all participants of all ministries at Corpus Christi, to give everyone an opportunity to meet each other.
- Suggestions included: Keep it simple, name tags, no formal agenda,.
- Social element in community needs a boost. Start with ministries first and then spread it out.
- Last Sunday in January, the 31st, was suggested as the date. (between Super Bowl and Playoffs!)
- Discussion of method of payment for food, what to offer, etc. No charge to attendees.

10 Miscellaneous:

- Joan mentioned the November 7 Parish Convening at CBA. Registration forms are in Evangelist.
- Dave wondered about last year's Eagle Scout presentation. No information is available on that right now. It was necessary for Brian to present it to his Scout leader.

CLOSING PRAYER, Carolyn DeSantis.

Adjournment at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Jo Brown, Recording Secretary