



Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Pastoral Council
Meeting Notes: October 24, 2017 - APPROVED

Present:

Staff

Fr. Paul English, Fr. Mike Buentello, Carol Wilke

Members

Janet Archibald, Kristine Brickler, Kathy Ehrhardt, Madeline Fasano, Maryfran Fettinger, Patty Sheridan, Ray Manuszak, Joe Kelly, Rob Spatola, Iuminada Vilca

Finance Council

Lori Klafehn

Absent:

Melinda Hensler, Rick Walther

Opening Prayer

K. Brickler led the council in opening prayer.

Mission/Vision Statement

Together, council members recited the SKT Mission and Vision Statements.

Open Forum - There were no speakers for Open Forum.

CMA

M. Fasano reported that the talks at Masses went well. There is a social media plan in place (with the help of J. Bounds) to educate everyone where CMA funds are used. Bulletin blasts and a video of people who have benefitted is in process. We are at 32% of goal (405 donors) as of 10/24/2017. A display at the churches will visually track new donor progress.

Prior Meeting Minutes

Consensus was reached to approve the September 26, 2017 Meeting Minutes.

Pastor and Vicar Reports -

Fr. Paul reported/commented:

- The 4 week series “Walk through the Mass” went well
- Inception of the “Sharing Your Story” coffee hours on October 8 & 22: attendance was light but those participating appreciated the opportunity. This was an excellent extension after Steve Angrisano weekend. This is a huge parish and we need to guard against alienation or small community. Calling parishioners into communities (like Suppers 8)
- CMA kicked off well with a great leadership team in the Fasano family!
- Various funerals, anointings and 2 weddings
- Busy with ongoing leadership and staff matters
- Disappointed that the town turned down the St. Thomas school proposal as carrying the property is challenging as our budget is tight

Goals:

- Continued planning for the upcoming “season” theme
- Working on creating a dynamic, effective fund-raising committee
- Still looking for suggestions for people to help brainstorm ideas and organize action items
- Still looking for a youth representative on Pastoral Council

Suggestions made:

- Fr. Paul's talk on the Mass should be considered an offering to parents and children
- Creating a parish book store

Fr. Mike reported/commented:

- Working with Sr. Kay - altar servers could benefit from Fr. Paul's series about the Mass and this is being considered

Co-Chair Messages

- Town Hall Meeting:
 - 40+ attendees, folks were engaged, asked good questions.
 - The notetaker sent questions out and answers will be posted on the website.
 - Wondering about utilizing Facebook, both live and to tape including taking questions live
- Case Training: Jodi Schott (in Corrine's absence) sent on-line instructions to new members if they want but in-person sessions are coming in January. R. Spatola suggested a link to the training be put on the website.
- Thank you to PC members for making CMA thank-you calls.
- Puerto Rico Support: Luisa Baars and I. Vilca are exploring opportunities. J. Archibald to check on how PC/SKT can help.

Finance Council Report

See the Finance/Administration report posted on the parish website.

R. Manuszak praised the professionalism and efficiency of the Finance Committee.

Old Business

PC Buddies: P. Sheridan & K. Brickler, J. Kelly & I. Vilca and R. Spatola & K. Erhardt will work together this year.

Ministry Liaisons:

- R. Manuszak - Finance & Faith Formation
- K. Erhardt - ISM/GST
- J. Kelly - social justice (Donna Moll)
- M. Fettinger - Liturgy & Music Ministry
- P. Sheridan - Evangelization
- M. Fasano - SKT School
- R. Spatola - Communications

New Business

- Fr. Paul and M. Fettinger spoke about the role of council members, highlighting the importance of being a conversive council. The ministry reports reviewed by members should be read thoughtfully and carefully and members should be prepared to discuss the reports and the comments of the ministry leaders. Members were asked to ponder and be prepared to share answers to the question "How am I doing as a member of the council?"

- **Ministry Reports: Discussing the “roadblocks”**
 - members discussed some of the comments and concerns raised by certain ministry leaders in their unpublished reports. Fr. Paul agreed to follow up with staff regarding certain comments noted.
 - name tags continue to be a problem - when to wear them, when not to.
- **Eyes & Ears**
 - comments were received at a welcome center stating that CMA thank-you calls were not appreciated. All agreed the calls are important and Fr. Paul encouraged members to continue the effort.

Review of Action Items and Bulletin Blurb

The members agreed on topics for the next bulletin update.

Ministry Reports

Reports from Communications, Evangelization, Faith Formation/Youth Ministry, Music Ministry, Pastoral Associates, SKS School and Finance/Administration were circulated to members prior to the meeting and are available on the parish website.

Closing Prayer

K. Brickler the council in closing prayer.

The next council meeting will be November 28, 2017 in Room 137, Saint Kateri School.