

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting – July 18, 2016

In attendance: Fr. Ron Sajdak, Margaret Cusack, Kevin Dean, Rob Fohl, Michele Mogavero, Bob Poczick, Jeff Schoenborn, Jerry Sentz, Amy Vosson Vukelic, Fred Zazycki

Excused: Fr. Mark Itua, Fr. Daniel Ogbeifun, Deacon Tom Friedman, Catherine Friedman, John Wilde

Guests: Bruce Zgoda, Ken Wojnewski

1. Meeting opened with prayer.
2. Minutes from the June 20th meeting were approved.
3. Fr. Ron
 - a. Fr. Daniel is back from his vacation and Fr. Mark is back from his studies. Hospitality has been provided for many visiting and missionary priests this summer.
 - b. Fr. Mark is now in residence at Nativity and is awaiting a new assignment. He is in his second term as an international priest.
4. Amy will now do the announcements three of the four weekends of the month. On the other weekend, another staff member will do them.
5. ChurchGROWTH
 - a. A core team has been formed to work on this initiative, starting with Fr. Ron, Amy, Bob and John. Others have been invited to join. Dennis Mahaney from the diocese will coach the group.
 - b. This falls under the Evangelization priority of the Strategic Plan.
 - c. Those that participated in the ChurchGROWTH seminar are also meeting and considering ways to be more present and welcoming in the parish.
6. Nativity School Update
 - a. Six people are on the principal search committee. They have reviewed resumes and formed two teams of three to interview candidates. Three candidates have been selected for the next round of interviews. The final two will then be interviewed by Sr. Carol Cimino (of the diocese).
 - b. Structure for the kindergarten is completed. Furnishing and final details remain.
 - c. Media center will be in place by the fall with the equipment we have. The district grant program will provide additional equipment.
 - d. Teacher salaries will be upgraded over a two-year period.
 - e. An interim principal team is in place to carry on over the summer with teacher interviews.
 - f. Nicole Richard, the current advancement director will move into the new Pre-K position. Nicole will continue with the media aspect of the advancement position (website updates, Facebook). New position, possibility an assistant principal, including the advancement responsibilities is being evaluated.
 - g. Margaret will be the PC liaison to the School Board.
7. Parish Survey
 - a. Jeff commented on the information in the recent bulletin. After discussion, it was decided that one more report including responses regarding individual's faith life and handwritten comments made on the survey will be published in the bulletin.
8. Parish Council Business
 - a. PC members will do the announcements next Sunday. Included will be an invitation to all parishioners to consider the parish council opening either for themselves or someone they know. In reviewing candidates, consideration should be made for those not currently represented on the council.
 - b. Bob suggested an informal, off-site meeting for August.
9. The meeting closed with prayer.

Next meeting: Monday, August 15.