

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting – October 17, 2016

In attendance: Fr. Ron Sajdak, Fr. Daniel Ogbeifun, Deacon Carmelo Gaudioso, Margaret Cusack, Kevin Dean, Chrissy Erbacher, Rob Fohl, Michele Mogavero, Bob Poczik, Jeff Schoenborn, Andrew Suchyna, Ted Smith, Amy Vosson Vukelic, John Wilde,

Excused: Deacon Tom Friedman, Cathrine Friedman, Fred Zazycki

Guests: Joe Roaldi (School Principal)

1. Meeting opened with prayer.
2. Introductions / Agenda Review
3. Minutes of the September meeting were approved.
4. Proposed PC Operating Procedure changes – Each of the following changes were voted upon and approved:
 - a. Addition of a second Vice-Chair position to allow for three people in council leadership.
 - b. Modification of the number of council members to seven to ten (previously was seven to nine).
5. Election of officers/new members:
 - a. Margaret Cusack was elected as Vice-Chair (second as allowed by the operating procedure change).
 - b. Andrew Suchyna was elected as a new PC representative.
6. Fr. Ron – asked we keep him in prayer as Upon This Rock campaign begins at St. Martin de Porres and St. Lawrence the weekend of October 16th, then Nativity.
7. Nativity School Update
 - a. Joe Roaldi was introduced. Joe provided the council with his background.
 - b. Last year 41 students were enrolled in pre-K, K readiness and K; 8 went on to first grade.
 - c. Taking steps to make pre-K feel more a part of the school. They are also getting special invitations to programs at the school.
 - d. 213 students in school this year.
 - e. Looking at additional options for scholarships.
 - f. Becoming a STREAM school this year and working toward full accreditation.
8. Potential New Program - Deacon Carmelo
 - a. Discussed a potential program for parish wellness:
 - i. Parish health – spiritual, mental health and wellness of parish members – fully integrated
 - ii. Ability to focus and measure the health and wellness of the parish community; how we are growing as a community.
 - iii. How can we help those who suffer as well as support their families?
 - b. Bob suggested a written proposal be prepared. Rob will circulate website information noted by Deacon Carmello.
9. Strategic Plan
 - a. Communication and Technology – a direction needs to be set. It does not need to be a priority area, but there is an ongoing need to utilize communication and technology in all areas where it can aid us in moving forward.
 - b. A discussion regarding the education priority area ensued.
 - c. Strategic plan provides a structure within which to work. Need to identify areas where the parish can make a difference.
10. The meeting closed with prayer.

Next meeting: Monday, November 21. Future meetings: 2016: December 19. 2017: January 23, February 27, March 20, April 24, May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21.

All meetings will take place in the Msgr. Paa Center at 7:00 PM unless otherwise noted.

All parishioners are welcome to attend.