

# SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

## Minutes

March 12, 2019

Welcome: David, chairperson, welcomed all.

Opening Prayer: Father led us in prayer, "Father, We Thank You".

Roll Call: Father Day, David Miller, Mary Temple, Julie Coots, Sharon Schmidt, Brad Denman, Larry Buechler, Lisa Heck, Merle Kruer, Denise Corley, Leslie Smith, JoAnn Adams, Tina Lacy, Darlene McCoy

Excused: Cathy Graninger

Absent:

Approval of Minutes: Denise made a motion to approve minutes. Merle seconded.

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Connected in the Spirit – Cohort group to meet on Monday to review the response from the Archdiocese and to work on additional goals suggested by the Archdiocese.

Father read the updated notes from Bette Buechler on the 41<sup>st</sup> Strawberry Festival. There will be communication put in the bulletin soon with updates.

Father announced and had a copy for us, of a Thank You from Rev. Severine P. Yagaza from the Diocese of Kigoma, Tanzania for our collection of \$5,050.00 last summer.

Dates for Special Collection envelopes for 2020 have been set. Response of donations for the 2019 special collections have been good.

Father asked if any members of council would like to attend the Deanery's Discipleship Initiative drafting of a ***10 Things a Disciple of Jesus Does*** resource on Thursday, April 11 at Mt. Saint Francis Retreat Center.

### COMMISSION REPORTS

#### **Catholic Faith Formation Ministry – Sharon's report**

Due to Floyd County School's spring break, there will be no class on March 17<sup>th</sup> and March 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Catholic Youth Ministry**

Stephanie Willis, who comes from St. Michael Parish in Bradford, has been hired as our new Youth Minister. She will begin on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Liturgical and Spiritual Life Ministry**

Cathy's report: March 5 – Ash Wednesday – two masses 8:00 am and 7:00 pm. Rice Bowls will be distributed. March 8 to begin and Fridays during Lent – Stations of the Cross at 4:30 pm with Fish Fry starting at 5:00 pm.

Items for discussion: *10 Things a Disciple of Jesus Does* meeting – Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Our parish needs representatives to attend this meeting. RSVP two weeks prior to meeting by March 28<sup>th</sup>. New robes for the servers have now been ordered. Ministers needed for Holy Week. You may be called upon.

Reports: Decorations – Palms have been ordered. The Altar stone has finally been placed in its correct location – in the altar table. Eucharistic Ministers – JoAnn Adams and son, Chaz will soon go through training for this ministry. Gifts, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers – now working on lists for Holy Week. Choir will practice after Monday Evening Lenten Mass starting March 11 until after Easter. Accepting new singers. CFF Children – Each student has been given a Lenten calendar which has practical suggestion for positive actions during Lent. Extras will be in the back of Church for student not participating in St. John's CFF. Next meeting: April 2, 2019. All are welcome.

## **Building and Grounds Ministry**

Larry's report: Mark Koetter has been contacted by Larry Buechler and advised he will be paid by cashier check instead of check from the church. Sub-committee church update – further changes need to be made and drawings for final review will be available soon. Then it will be sent to the Archdiocese and state for approval. The interior need of paint and carpet will be discussed further once the outside work is done.

## **Finance Council**

Merle's report: The balance in the general account is \$77,383.43 and the balance in the gaming account is \$2,440.60.

The Finance Council did not meet in February. However, we did via email, approve the payment of \$500.00 to Billboards for Catholics for Children. This payment was made from the Outreach Fund.

The next Finance Council meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2019 at 6:30 pm. All are invited to attend.

## **Stewardship Commission**

Lisa's report: No meeting in February. April 24<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting and we will be working on the pictorial directory.

## **What needs to be communicated?**

Once Stephanie is on board with Youth Ministry, she will be at Mass introducing herself.

## **Questions, Comments, Concerns**

**Next Executive meeting is April 2, 2019 at 6 pm**

**Next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 7 pm.**

**Father led us in closing prayers.** Closing prayer: Father, We Give You Thanks.