

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

Minutes of Pastoral Council Meeting on 6/12/2009

Minutes recorded by Neil Schiffhauer

Attending: Father Bill Breslin, Melissa Haapala, Pat Palaich, Neil Schiffhauer, Pam Jackimiec, Catalina Mendez, Joe Kubler, Tommy Lorden, Vincenzo Cardilicchia

Father Bill opened the meeting with a prayer at about 8:15 am.

The minutes of the 5/13/09 Pastoral Council meeting were approved.

Father Bill handed out Sections 6.1 through 6.4 of the Pastoral Council Workbook. The goal for today's meeting is to complete Sections 6.1 through 6.3 and to have council members sign up to be responsible for each of the Pastoral Council Priorities developed over the past months. Sections 6.1 through 6.3 will list each priority with its KRA (Goal). The council members assigned to each priority will subsequently define the tasks necessary to accomplish that priority's KRA.

The KRA for the 2nd of the two Vision Inspired Priorities was clarified by removing the redundant words "SHJ school". The correction is as follows:

1. Free tuition in our school for all SHJ parishioners.

KRA: Determine annual cost and research models of success in 'tuition free' parishes. Identify next steps to achieve free tuition for all ~~SHJ school~~ students of SHJ parishioners.

NOTE: Following this Pastoral Council meeting, Father Bill had suggested to the council members that this KRA (the 2nd of the two Vision Inspired Priorities) should be scaled back to:

"Determine annual cost and research models of success in ~~'tuition free' parishes~~ funding of parish schools. Identify next steps to achieve ~~free tuition for all~~ ~~students of~~ greater accessibility for all SHJ parishioners."

The change was accepted by the council.

Final planning for the June 13, 2009 presentation for the other Parish councils, committees, ministries, and staff on how the Pastoral Council will operate and function in the years ahead was completed. The Pastoral Council will present the new "Parish Purpose Statement", the "Values and Behaviors" that demonstrate compliance with the purpose statement and the six Top Priorities for the Pastoral Council for the next year (2010). Father Bill will introduce the presentation, Melissa and Tommy will conduct the presentation then questions will be fielded by Fr. Bill or council members as appropriate.

The presentation and follow-up discussion will take place in Jubilee Hall directly after the 5:00 pm Mass. Dinner will be provided by volunteers and beverages will be provided by council members.

The dinner planning for June 19th to celebrate “The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus” Feast day was discussed. The ‘Pot Luck’ dinner following the special 5:00 pm Mass will be held on the lawn between the church and the parish house weather permitting. Otherwise it will be in Jubilee Hall.

There was considerable discussion about how to involve parishioners in the priorities we established. One likely way is to have talks at each Mass after the tasks are set by the council members for each of the priority KRAs (targeted for Sept, 09). Other methods were discussed as well and over the next few months we’ll decide how best to accomplish this. The Communications Committee (chaired by Paul Berberian) will be involved in this effort

The objective for the next meeting is to address Section 6.4 of the Pastoral Council Workbook. The handout “Structure Effective Meetings” provided some time ago by Father Bill should be reviewed in preparation for this meeting.

The next council meeting will be on Friday 7/10/09 from 8:00 am until 9:00am in the parish center conference room.

Father Bill closed the meeting with a prayer at 9:20 am.