

## St. John Vianney Pastoral Council Minutes

April 18, 2016

**Members Present:** Fr. Ken Knippel – Pastor, Fr. Philip Schumaker – Associate Pastor, Brian Schloemer-Trustee Treasurer, Ken Kern – Trustee Secretary, Doug Wildes – Chair, Robert Scott – Vice Chair and Finance Council Rep., Kim Prudlow – Secretary, Dan Pilon – Finance Council Rep., JoAnn Cekanor – School Committee Liaison, Betsy Wellenstein – Formation Liaison, Robb Lied – Stewardship Liaison, Renee Larson – Human Concerns Liaison

**Members Excused:** Judy Kile – Worship Liaison

**Guests:** Aaron Laskiewicz, St. Francis de Sales seminarian

**Call to Order:** The St. John Vianney (SJV) Pastoral Council (PC) meeting was opened at 9:00pm by Doug Wildes.

**Secretary Report:** Kim Prudlow updated the Council on how discernment went at the different standing committees earlier in the evening. The number of people attending for discernment to committees for the next calendar year seemed to be up.

**Pastor's Report:** Father Ken updated the Council that the Archdiocese had approved the hiring of MSI as the design/build firm for the capital campaign.

Father was happy to report that 3 parish members have stepped forward to shadow the current leaders of the Festival this year and then to assume the leadership positions next year.

No information was available as of the meeting as to the priest who would replace Fr. Schumaker in June.

**Chair Report:** Ken Kern filled the Council in on his attendance in Doug Wildes place at the District Meeting.

Doug then led a discussion on how to improve the nomination and discernment process for new members of Pastoral Council. Currently the new members of Pastoral Council are discerned from the current membership of the standing committees. We discussed the idea of opening up discernment to Council to include those people who, in possibly the last 3 to 5 years, had served on a standing committee or Council but were not currently involved. We decided to hold off until after the next CLN meeting in June to see how discernment to the standing committees goes and will possibly readdress in the fall.

**Liaison Reports:** All Liaisons gave an update of their committee's strategic plans. While all the updates are important, the following information is of special note;

- Finance Council (update given by Robert Scott) – on 3/21/16 the Finance Council approved a balanced budget. Stewardship giving was up 5.5% year-to-date. A 3% tuition increase will go into effect for the 2016/2017 school year. An appraisal of the grounds & facilities will be done in order to make sure our insurance is at proper levels. The Council received and approved of the budget.

Meeting ended with the Sign of Peace at 9:55pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kim Prudlow