**Saint Anne and Saint Jude Parish Pastoral Council**

**Minutes of the Council Meeting June 19, 2018 @ 7:00pm**

**Members Present:**

Fr. Giovannie Nunez- Parish Administrator, Valerie Williams, Andrew Williams, David Marcella, Dr. Jan Neuner, Dr. Mark Crabbe, Joey Duggan, Chris Hilditch, Paul Dunlap and Dee Reiter.

**Members Absent:**

Harvin Bullock

Fr. Gio opened the meeting with the Lord’s Prayer.

The minutes from the May 2018 meeting were reviewed and discussed. Faith Formation – It is the first time for the St. Anne and St. Jude to have Spanish RCIA not the first time in South Carolina.

Grammatical correction on third page under Catholic School, Second bullet – There are ten member on the advisory board. There will be discussion on the surveys.

Minutes Approved

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Building and Grounds Committee:**

* Dave presented the information for the Building and Grounds Committee. There is still a need for volunteers for the grounds and maintenance. Dave was given a name and he called the person. Dave did not get a return call.
* It was brought to Dave’s attention that someone would cut the yards for less money. He spoke with Luna Yard Services and Luna would match the price of the other person. Both are parishioners. The other person cuts the grass at the cemetery. Dave would like to keep Luna. Luna will cut the yard for the church, the school and the playground area for $130.00. Luna has also cut the shrubs and sprayed the yard. It was agreed by council to continue paying Luna for their services.
* Major repairs are needed for the air conditioners at the St. Anne’s Elementary site and the cafeteria at the St. Jude site. Dave has called Ben twice but he has not received a response. Randy Esterly’s name was mention as a possible candidate for working on the air conditioners. Valerie will contact him to see if he would be interested.
* The Knights of Peter Claver are cutting the yard at the back of the St. Jude site. The St. Jude Alumni will be responsible for cutting the grass in the front.

**Stewardship Committee:**

* Chris Hilditch presented the information for the Stewardship Committee. He stated the first meeting will be held at 6:30pm on June 20, 2018 in the St. Jude Conference Room. The purpose of the committee is to get people involved with their time, talent and treasure. The goal is to find ways of getting people involved and giving more. The first order of business will be organizing and planning the picnic.
* Cindy Taverez would like to organize a welcoming committee. She would like to have a bag to give to new parishioners with contact information and information regarding all of the organizations in the church. There would also be a card asking how the parishioner would like to become involved in the church and what their occupation is.
* Chris would like to have a handout given to Parishioners at Mass to gather information in regards to occupations and skills that may be useful for parishioners to contribute to the parish.
* Dr. Neuner stated that if more people come to the Life of the Spirit seminar they may be prompted to help more.

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**Faith Formation:**

* Nicki presented the information for the Faith Formation. She stated Vacation Bible School will be back for the first time in four years. There will be three nights of Vacation Bible School. The fourth evening will be a family night. There will be dinner served each night. The goal is 35-40 families participating. Vacation Bible School will serve children PK-5th grade. The cost is $15.00 per child to cover the costs of the program. There will be water games the last night. Older children can volunteer and receive service hours for volunteering. Knights of Columbus will be grilling on the last night.
* There is still discussion about moving CCD to Wednesday evenings. The adult programs are working well on Wednesday evenings at the St. Jude site. Parent response was not favorable for Wednesday evenings. There is also discussion about moving the time of CCD. There is not a date for Catechist training at this time. There needs to be a big pulpit push to get parents and/or grandparents to teach CCD. Ideally it would be good to have two teachers per grade. There is always a need for more substitute teachers.

**521 Committee:**

* The 521 Committee information was presented by Dr. Crabbe. The contract between the architect, Mr. Montgomery, and the Diocese is in the process of being finalized. Mr. Montgomery is developing an “architect’s proposal” to update the site plans and schematic drawing and to develop color drawings. Once the diocese gives approval, Mr. Montgomery can begin work right away. Everything is in a holding pattern until the contact is approved. Once approved, then the committees can meet again.
* The website provides a wealth of information. Many of the questions are answered on the website and it provides a nice history of the parishes. The website information needs to be in the bulletin so parishioners know where they can access the information. Nicki will add a new group on the parish App to include the 521 Committee. There was also discussion regarding putting a push on the app to get the information to parishioners.

**Finance Committee:**

* The Parish is coming to the end of the fiscal year. Fr. Gio is planning to give a report for the finances for the past year as well as giving the statistics for the year. The Parish is growing and is very busy. Dr. Neuner suggested listing the different organizations in the Parish in the report.

**Other:**

* There will be a Life of the Spirit seminar on Saturday, June 23, 2018.
* The Knights of Columbus are entering the next fraternal year on July 1, 2018. There will be an installation of officers.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Parish Pastoral Plan:**

* Fr. Gio passed out the new Mission Statement for the council to review. There was discussion about some of the wording. Joey made a motion to approve the Mission Statement as written. Dave seconded the motion. Dr. Crabbe asked if his daughter could take a look at the Mission Statement to see if there is a need for any edits. It was agreed that she could.

**Margaret J Lafoon Trust Fund/ College Scholarship:**

* No update.

**Music Ministry:**

* A meeting took place with choir/musicians. Music is being synchronized for all of the Masses. Those present at the meeting were asked to encourage others to join the choir and invest in the music ministry. There was some discussion about hiring someone to be the musical coordinator. This will need to be discussed with the finance committee.
* Many years ago, Nuns led the music when they were at St. Anne and St. Jude. There was discussion about bringing nuns back to the parish for education/parish/music ministry.

**Mass Scheduling:**

* There was discussion about the need to change the Mass schedule and the challenges that go with making the changes. The Masses being discussed are the 5:00pm Mass on Sunday at the St. Jude site and the mirror Masses at 12:00pm at both locations. One suggestion was moving the 12:00pm Mass to 10:30am but it would require the Priest to rush if he was also doing Mass at 9:15 at St. Jude. Also, CCD runs at 10:30am and there should not be a program like CCD that runs concurrent with a Mass. Still need a solution for both Sunday Masses at 12:00pm. The 5:00pm Sunday Mass is not well attended. There may be a greater attendance at the 5:00pm Mass with Youth Group following.
* Nicki mentioned having CCD stop at 5th or 6th grade and the children can go to youth group until they enter the Confirmation program.
* Parents are a major component in teaching the children a Catholic way of life. If Mass is not being attended by the parents, it will reflect on the children not attending Mass as well. It is important to teach the parents and children that sacraments are not just a milestone.
* Nicki and Fr. Gio will discuss CCD and Mass scheduling. The Mass scheduling is being tabled at this time.

**Ordination:**

* The ordination is scheduled for June 22, 2018 at 6:00pm at Immaculate Conception Church in Goose Creek.
* Deacon Rufino’s first Mass as an ordained priest will be June 24, 2018 at 12:00pm at St. Anne. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

**Volunteer Recognition**:

* The picnic would be a good opportunity to recognize the volunteers. It might create a desire for others to want to volunteer.
* The Knights of Columbus recognized the Costas Family as the Family of the Year. It was only announced at one Mass but it did have people talking. The suggestion was made to have a family of the month posted in the bulletin each month.

**Catholic Schools**:

* The merger of St. Francis Xavier and St. Anne and St. Jude Catholic School has been approved. For the beginning of the school year, the students at the high school will remain at the School Street site. The Vicar General has to be sent all of the documents to be finalized. The board is meeting next week to answer some questions from the Diocese.

**Eucharistic Miracles:**

* There was a lot of positive feedback from parishioners regarding the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit. This is something that can be done again.

**Calendar:**

* There is a need for a unified calendar for the parish. It will be put on the agenda for the next parish council meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* Chris Hilditch will have a date for the picnic at the next parish council meeting.
* The cost for the scheduling program (Ministry Scheduler Pro) for the various Mass ministries is $500.00. The information was sent in an email to all those persons involved. The scheduling is automated but you have the option to put in your information. You can only see your profile.

Fr. Gio will be in Rome in July so the next meeting will be August 21, 2018. The building committee can meet as needed.

Fr. Gio closed the meeting with a prayer.