ST. ALPHONSUS PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Thursday May 12, 2016

Present: Sue Ruedinger, Mike Griglak, Deb Ruchalski, Barb Toll, Andy Miller, Catherine Wilke, Bill Kelly, Denna Flemming, Sue Gasmann, Elroy Milan, Steve Becker, Fr. Kevin Barnekow, Fr. Aaron Esch

Guests – Anneliese Browne, Mike Mellock, Judy Rick, Barb Bova

Not Present: Pauline Judy, Mark Wozny, Chris Sowa, Mary Felhofer

Opening Prayer – Fr. Aaron

Approval of March 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes - Barb Toll motioned, second Sue Gasmann. Motion passes no abstentions, none opposed.

New member discernment & selection – Sr. Eileen –
    Rosie Edwards – Steve moved, second by Elroy – passes, none opposed, no abstentions
    Mike Mellock – Steve moved, second by Cathy – passes, none opposed, no abstentions
    Anneliese – Mike moved, second by Barb – passes, none opposed, no abstentions
    Denna – Steve moved, second by Cathy – passes, none opposed, no abstentions
    Barb – Steve moved, second by Elroy – passes, none opposed, no abstentions

Proposed Amendment to 4.2: vote at June meeting. Need to draft conflict of interest proposal.

Guest/Visitor Comments

Pastor's Remarks
    Archbishop has appointed Associate Pastor, begins June 21st
    Fr. Kevin appointed temporary administrator until August.
    Fr. Aaron leaving for school beginning May 22nd, returning July 31st
    Volunteer Appreciation Dinner - Sunday Sept 25th hosted by Pastoral Staff
    Ecumenical Service Project – morning of service, Saturday Oct 1st. Begin at St. Als.
    Deacon Jim seeking affirmation for renewal of covenant for period of three years. Unanimous agreement from Pastoral Council to affirm the renewal of his covenant with the St. Alphonsus Parish.

Financial Council Report
Weekly cash envelopes ahead of budget, due to Easter in March and Easter not being included in the initial budget calculation. Overall all areas are adhering to or below the budget YTD. Gave an update on Capital Campaign including steering committee, building & grounds, communications, school improvements and fundraising. Discussed major Building and Grounds projects.

Old Business

New Business
St. Alphonsus Parish Motto – three proposals offered – Called to Love and Serve. Moved to approve by Steve, second by Cathy.

Proposed 2016-2017 calendar – distributed, to be voted on at June meeting.

SW Deanery Report – see report from Deb/Chris – November Archdiocesan celebration of Year of Mercy and mass at Cathedral, picture montage for SW Deanery. Assembling at October meeting – get pictures to Deb.

Roundtable Discussion
Weekend of June 25th/26th – Welcoming new Associate Pastor – moving hospitality weekend to coincide.
Deanery representative nomination to be added to council norms.

Committee Updates
School – Enrollment slightly over budget for 2016-17, 5Kenrollment is down slightly, financial aid requests exceeding allocations, Archdiocese recognized St. Als as candidate for exemplary school demonstrating Catholic identity integration. Several teachers leaving for retirement. Retirement social following May 15th hospitality at 9am.

Christian Formation – Heather discussed the formation of a Young Adult Ministry Group. Purpose of this group will be both social and faith sharing. Heather plans to start this in the fall. Heather is doing research – looking at study guides, etc. Heather will come to the May Common Meeting night for more discussion. Child Ministry - 109 First Communicants with First Communions starting in April. The Parish Directory is in. Confirmation was April 10th. Fr. Aaron officiated and everything went well. Sr. Eileen and Mary met on drafting the survey-----it will focus on Parish members in the 25-50 age bracket. We’ll be using the CF and School e-mails.

Liturgy/Worship – Parish tradition – ice cream social preceding common meeting night May 17th.

Human Concern – Working on establishing standing committee for Human Concerns.

Stewardship/Endowment - currently working on Giving Tree brochure and Ministry Cards

Vocations – Deacon Ted attended training session, connecting with Mary Baumgardner from St. John the Evangelist to collaborate on Vocations committee efforts.

Long Range Planning – motto offered and accepted, now moving onto the logo

Benefit Auction – Next year – April 28th

Respect Life – Rose sale was a great success, up 8% from last year. Baby supply drive June 12th for Women’s Support Center.

Public Safety – nothing new

Closing Prayer – Fr. Aaron. Meeting concluded at 9:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Miller
Council Secretary