

Saint Edward Pastoral Council Minutes  
April 25, 2019

**Members Present:** Father Walter Stumpf, Deacon Ray Ambrosius, Deacon Jeff Hofacker, Tim Lamers, Steve Cove, Kevin Flood, Rita Peters, Sarah Van Camp, Jane Varick, Mic Vomastic.

**Members Excused:** Lorna Pengrazi

**Guest:** Bob Hofacker

Opening Prayer: A Disciples Prayer led by Tim Lamers

Minutes from Previous Meetings: Rita Peters moved to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Mic Vomastic seconded the motion. Motion Approved.

Mic Vomastic moved to approve the minutes from the March meeting after changes made to the members present. Add Steve Cove to members present and Jane Varick to members excused. Rita Peters seconded the motion. Motion Approved.

Sarah Van Camp gave her response to “Why Do You Believe”

Steve Cove brought up concerns about use of the ‘Cry Room’ in Church. He also commented on need for ushers to be more welcoming and to be more active in requesting people to move in and to usher people to empty pews. Deacon Ray said that he is planning a training session for ushers in which he will bring up this issue. He will also write an announcement to be made before Mass this weekend welcoming non-members.

Father gave an update on the media monitor for the back of Church, along with moving one of the cameras and adjusting the current screens. Plans have been approved and it will be ordered and installed soon.

Tim invited us to a joint strategy session with the Councils from both Saint Edward and Saint Nicholas. It will be at his house on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

Since used condoms have been found in the school parking lot, Renee Cowart has ordered security cameras to be installed. It was suggested to keep the parking lot lights on all night until the cameras have been installed. Deacon Jeff will check with Renee to see when they will be installed.

The Diocesan Strategic Planning process, the One by One Campaign, was discussed. The primary concern at this stage is to find a facilitator for the Saint Edward and the Saint Nicholas committees. Each parish will have a separate committee. Tim has contacted David Yeghiaian, who led the process team at Saint John the Baptist parish in Howard. He estimated that his fee would be approximately \$11,500.00 to be the facilitator for the committees from Saint Edward and Saint Nicholas parishes. Tim pointed out the advantage of having an outsider as facilitator who will be more neutral. Tim will talk to David requesting a formal agreement between David and the parish to review. It was noted that the suggested parish goal was \$331,000.00 with 50% going to our parish and 50% going to the Diocese. The tentative timeline for the process would be to have a parish information session in early September, then to pick team members and have a get-acquainted session in December. The team would start meeting in January. Discussion was had about the best way to inform the parish about this process. Father Walter suggested having Father Dan Felton at a Mass to explain the process to the Congregation. It was also suggested to have a meeting in July with the Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Renee Cowart and Celia McKee with David Yeghiaian to have him explain the workings of the One by One Process.

Bob Hofacker talked about how the Finance Council and the Pastoral Council can work together better. The Wish List should be divided into true needs and items that could be on a Wish List for

people who are interested in making donations. Deacon Ray suggested making a binder with pictures of wish list items to show people who are looking to donate towards something. Mic asked Bob if the Pastoral Council could join the Finance Council at one of their meetings before they set their budget for next year. Bob suggested doing that at the August meeting.

Father gave his Pastor's Report:

### **Pastor's Report April 25, 2019**

1. Worship
  - a. Server of the month for March, John Klitzke
  - b. Proxy to add pew frontals with kneelers has been approved by Bishop Ricken. Dan McClintock is not interested in making these. **Father added that they will be getting another quote.**
  - c. Holy Week/Easter
  - d. Anointing of the Sick April 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am
  - e. St. Josaphat Basilica with 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. May 3
  - f. May Crowning Wed. May 8, 11am
  - g. Seed blessing Fri. May 10, 8:15am
2. Education
  - a. Welcome Mary Hildebrand, New Evangelization for Young Adults
  - b. Thursday May 2, School program, 9:30am and 6pm
  - c. Faith Fun Fridays, four Fridays this summer, Celia and Father Walter
  - d. Set goals for school enrollment. Strategic plan suggests 26 students per teacher, supplying an aid for classrooms over 18 students.
  - e. Father Dan Felton sees merit in the proposed music academy. Josh Diedrich from the Catholic Foundation will help me explore sources for funding
3. Stewardship/finance
  - a. Bishop's Appeal, thank you Jane Varick and Vicky Weiland for your witness. Can we find another volunteer to make a testimonial on behalf of the Bishop's Appeal? **Father has a girl in mind who has gone to Camp Tekawitha to talk about that experience.**
  - b. Contribution distribution (see spreadsheet)
  - c. Average household income for 2018 within the Saint Edward parish boundary was \$98,469.<sup>1</sup> Saint Edward has 523 current households registered. Each giving one-quarter of a tithe would equal contributions of \$1,287,482. Living generously will put this number on the top line of the budget.
  - d. Stewardship, every member volunteer in at least one parish activity
  - e. Stewardship/leadership, worship together at Saint Edward regularly; let's say 40 Sundays per year.
4. Holy, Engaged, Alive
  - a. Parish Trustee Secretary
    - i. Nominate by May 3
    - ii. Election May 18-19
  - b. Make nominations for council members
  - c. Teach my people to pray Holy Hour: Friday, May 14, after the 8:15am Mass- **date should be May 17<sup>th</sup>**

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Meeting was closed with Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Varick