

Pastoral Council meeting 10/10/06

Minutes AMENDED by Pastoral Council at 11/14/06 meeting

Meeting commenced at 7:38 p.m.

In attendance: Pat Beckett, Bill Beckett, Kari Albers, Robin Stanford, Charlie Bohan, Bob Blythe, Debra Herman, Christine McClelland, Debbie Calabro, Joel Friederich, Father Mike, Dee Lopez, Geoffrey Carter, Jay Schuck, Laura Morris

Not Present: Maggie Short, Bev Bajersky, Reed Camron, Jerry Latimer

Opening Prayer – Charlie Bohan

Scripture and Faith Sharing – Christine McClelland

Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Completed Business: Nothing to report.

In Process Business:

Pastoral Charter: Charlie Bohan, Debbie Calabro, Deacon Marcus, Dee Lopez, Pat Beckett, and Ed Hill are on the Pastoral Council Charter review committee. They are heavily involved in revising and updating the charter. Debbie said there are 12 pages/7 Articles to the charter. To date, revisions have been made through Article 3. Article 3 is the section on commissions and ministries. Appendix 1 lists the ministries. The parish ministries are no longer going to be organized by Commissions. There will be ministry categories with simple titles that allow all parishioners to easily understand the type of ministries in each category. The newly reorganized Ministries at Good Shepherd page was presented to all council members. The page was well received. A suggestion was made to change the Facilities Committee name to Maintenance Committee, since “Facilities Committee” sounded like it could mean the same thing as Building Committee.

Debbie also noted that Canon Law dictates that every parish has to have a Pastoral Council and Finance Council. Good Shepherd’s Pastoral Council shares responsibility with the Pastoral Staff and other Leadership Communities of the parish in providing leadership and guidance to the parish. She identified the Leadership Communities at Good Shepherd: Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Small Christian Communities, Stewardship Core Community, Worship, and Matthew 25 and noted their placement on the new Ministry page. The next charter review meeting will be on Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Discernment of Council officers was held once again for Assistant Coordinator for 2006-2007. After the first round of discernment for this position, and still it was not filled, Pat said that we would see who might volunteer when Debra is unable to be present or needs assistance. A team of sorts was developed with those who are willing and able to fulfill the need. They are Debbie Calabro, Christine McClelland, Bob Blythe, and Kari Albers.

### Shared Vision:

Goal Team 1: Next meeting is on Monday. Charlie said that he attended the first session on the Eucharist. This was just the first meeting in the series of “Catholicism for Ordinary Catholics” with other sessions being given in January. The committee will get together to review the first and to get feedback. Marcus was well prepared. Debbie felt that she didn’t attend because she did not relate to the title. She would have been more prone to come to “Catholicism for Dummies.” According to the committee, people still feel that there needs to be sessions on reverence for the sacraments. There are two separate topics: reverence at mass, and ministers at the mass. Christine said that the sessions deal with both issues from the Shared Vision Process. Father Mike feels that one group has been tagged with the distractions perhaps incorrectly. The team feels that this is not the correct perception. Both issues are being covered. Jay mentioned the website: [www.onlypeople.org/gsap](http://www.onlypeople.org/gsap) in which to look for information.

Goal Team 2: Objective #3 will be the issue when they meet. Debbie reported that they have not met since the last PC meeting due to necessary cancellations reported.

Goal Team 3: Pat reported. Gloria Smith is the chair of the overall team. The making of a ministry cart is in the process of being built so that it is portable when needed for brochures. Outside the parish hall will be a place to pick up brochures, etc. The core committee is reforming and working to strengthen the Small Christian Community committee. The focuses are on marketing, awareness and building neighborhood communities. Pat encouraged all PC members to be a part of the goal teams.

Ministry Fair - The Ministry Fair will be held on October 14 and 15. Joel presented the new presentation board for PC for the ministry. Members need to sign up for masses. Bob Blythe asked what is our goal for this year’s fair? Pat said that we are there to explain who we are and to see if other parishioners are interested in joining the council next year. Members signed up to man the table. Charlie passed around a new brochure with updated information.

The other goals, which were not selected from the Shared Vision Process, were tabled again to the next meeting due to time.

Father Mike’s comments: He said he is part of the committee of reforming the small faith communities and rebuilding. It is not easy. The easy part is identifying the needs. The other is difficult – keeping people on board. Father reaffirmed Bill Beckett with his efforts with the welcoming committee and talking to 300 new families so far since he and Pat have started.

Faith Sharing for the next meeting on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. will be Bob Blythe. Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m. after a closing prayer led by Charlie.

Respectfully submitted, Debra Herman

