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Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes Father Peter Grace, CP Monday, May 17, 2021

Members: Father Peter Grace, Martin Dramou, Mike Ellison, Patrick Ginty, Mary Hansen, Jesus Hernandez, Melina Hernandez-Campos, Misael Jaramillo, George Lozano, Louise Lupo, Marco Maya, Anne Miller, Laura Olmedo, Dean Penny, Kevin Pilotte, Victor Sanchez, Sean Skelly, Jon Soika

Members Excused: Jesus Hernandez, Melina Hernandez-Campos, Laura Olmedo, Dean Penny

Members Absent: Martin Dramou, Patrick Ginty, George Lozano

Opening Prayer: Mike Ellison

Guests: none

Approval of Minutes: April minutes were approved by Anne and seconded by Sean; all agreed.

Finance Update Dean Penny (not present)

- Mosaic presentation to be given at weekend Masses May 29 and 30.
- Pat Goldsmith will be documenting the installation effort. Cathy Penny will be leading an education campaign on the art images themselves.
- During construction, weekend Masses will be held in the church as usual; daily Masses will be held in the Parish Center.

Youth Report: Melina Hernandez-Campos and Jesus Hernandez

- 5/6 – Mother's Day activity.
- 5/8 and 5/9 – Food sale after weekend Masses to raise money for NCYC trip.
- 5/13 – meeting postponed in light of gasoline shortage; were planning a thank you activity for By His Hands ministry.

BAA Update: Anne Miller

- Getting closer to goal.
- \$116K in pledges, \$108K paid; 87% to goal.
- \$625 from recent hands fundraiser for the youth.
- Continuing to brainstorm on additional efforts to collect necessary funds to reach goal.
- Food truck coming Sunday, 5/30 after 8 AM Mass and others.
 - 100% of funds will go to church.
 - Parishioner-owned.
 - Philly cheesesteaks.

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- 389 donors to date.

Pastoral Council Elections: Louise Lupo

- Bios have been distributed during Masses the past two weekends.
- Ballots to be distributed at all Masses next weekend; voting will occur and ballots will be collected at the end of each Mass.
- Two PC volunteers needed to be at each Mass to receive the ballots from the ushers, put them in a sealable bag, and place them in the safe room.
- All ballots will be put into sealed bag and put into designated area in the vault room.
- Absentee ballots are available; name of voter to be placed on the back of the ballot.
- Any ballots after next Sunday's 7 PM Mass will not be accepted.
- The ballots will be counted during the following week by several members of the Pastoral Council.

Updates: Father Peter

- Mass COVID regulations
 - CDC updated recommendations included reduced mask requirements.
 - COVID committee: Lisa Deeren recommended Dr. John Engleman (Duke), Dr. Tran, P. Ginty.
 - Last weekend, one half of the church was opened up to be mask-free with no social distancing requirements; the other half was kept in line with recent protocols with masks and social distancing. Announcements were made before Mass stating the new protocols.
 - Parish center (overflow crowd) will be separated in the same manner.
- Fr. Hector Endowment fund
 - BAA does not cover all seminarian formation expenses.
 - Announcements were made at last weekend's Masses, and a food sale was held afterward and raised \$3K.
 - Some money was raised previously, and the total stands around \$5K; \$1500 will go to a plaque in the columbarium.
 - The Finance Council has pledged \$5K from the parish.
 - \$20K is the total goal.
- Adjacent property.
 - Asking for prayers for the purchase of the adjacent property.
 - Land value is soaring.
 - Fr. is considering forming a group who could band together and purchase the adjacent property, as it is unlikely one or two people could purchase the entire tract.

Other concerns:

- Louise
 - Parishioners have expressed concerns about statues currently in the church that will be displaced by the new mosaics. Where will they go?
 - Parishioners have asked about the status of the stained-glass windows from the old church.
 - They are encased and in the rectory.

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- It's not as simple as taking windows from one location and placing them in another; the process is very expensive, with dismantling, re-leading, reconstruction, etc.
- There are architectural considerations, as well as functional concerns (single-pane).
- What happened to the storage shed that was to be constructed on the campus? Some goods from the rummage sale could not be retained because there is no room to store. Tents rented for the IFF could be purchased if we had room to store them. Several other examples of benefits of additional storage were given.
 - Perhaps we ask Dean to present on this topic next month.
 - Sean made a motion that the Pastoral Council request that the Finance Council add this matter to its agenda and that the planning and design of the storage shed on the property be reinitiated, reviewed, and refined, as necessary. Misael seconded. All agreed.
- Anne
 - Before COVID, we were discussing golf carts. Is this something we should bring back to discussion?
 - It was suggested this topic be brought to the agenda in July after the new PC convenes.
 - Concern about delaying this discussion due to the fact that the next budget is being hashed out.
- Kevin
 - Do we have additional masks for Masses?
 - Yes.
 - Will we be posting minutes on the parish website?
 - Yes, but this task has been passed around to various members of the parish staff.
- Anne
 - Is the sanitation of the pews continuing? Yes.
 - Kevin is trying to line up persons to pursue the refinishing of the pews.
 - The educational activities surrounding the mosaics will be open to non-parishioners.
- Fr. Grace
 - The next PC meeting will have an additional 12—8 elected and 4 appointed.
 - New chair, cochair, and secretary will be selected then.

Closing Prayer: Father Peter

Next meeting is Monday, June 21, 2021 at 7 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jonathan Soika