

QUAD-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - APPROVED 04/22/2008

February 26, 2008

O'Brien Social Hall – St. Patrick Parish, 7:00 p.m.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Joe Arttus Jane Giese Jane Hansen Mike Hogan Joseph Jacques	Perry Paul Carol Ray Betty Staeven Eric Van
ST. JOSEPH PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Marilyn Govek Kathy LaLuzerne Kathy Maurer Dick Radosevich Kim Schneider	Paul Slatky Barb Staudenmaier Mary Sullivan Tim Younk
ST. JUDE PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Rod Klingbeil Jerry Krausert Sheila Kujava Martin Kyles Beth Markon	Jerry Meyer Terry Pasterski Larry Sterckx Margaret Yakel
ST. PATRICK PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:	Mary Ann Daniel Karen Konop-Bastien	Debra Leisgang Jacob Slavek
PASTORAL STAFF:	Father Don Everts	

CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was called to order and opened with a prayer led by Kathy LaLuzerne.
REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES AND AGENDA:	The quad-parish pastoral council meeting minutes of January 22, 2008 were reviewed and approved as submitted. One item was added to the agenda under "New Business": Collaboration with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish for Youth Ministry Program.

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FAITH ALIVE SCHOOL SYSTEM PRESENTATION:	<p>Jeanine Leege-Jankowski and Eric Dellameter attended the meeting as representatives of the Faith Alive Steering Committee, the group appointed by the diocese to develop a process for establishing a Catholic school system for the greater Green Bay area. Using a PowerPoint presentation, they explained what has transpired thus far in attempting to create a Green Bay school system, and then outlined the next steps toward achieving this goal. Questions from council members were addressed and the council thanked Jeanine and Eric for this update.</p> <p>At the end of this meeting, discussion turned again to Holy Apostles School and how to recruit and retain students in the interim, until a Green Bay school system is established, noting this will be another significant change in a school that has already gone through several transitions over the past few years. A question was raised as to whether the steering committee had considered the challenges in marketing the schools as the Faith Alive project is going on as well as upon its completion, and whether that group had any advice. Advertising the availability of grant monies was identified as one way to bring students in, and continuing to build goodwill and a presence within the community can impact</p>	Father Don agreed to bring the concerns about marketing the school back to the steering committee for consideration.

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	<p>enrollment as well. Council members who are parents shared their thoughts on why they selected public or parochial schools, and all were thanked for their open and honest feedback.</p>	
<p>COMMISSION REPORTS:</p>	<p>The St. Joseph Parish representatives were assigned to present the commission reports at this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Life Commission – The February meeting was cancelled due to a lack of attendees. Instead, Sister Toni, Rheda Jelen and Barb Staudenmaier worked on the Lenten project, preparing cards with the names of parishioners who are homebound or in nursing homes. The cards were distributed at each church at the weekend Masses and parishioners were asked to pray for and/or send cards to the individual listed on the card they selected. • Faith Formation Commission – There were no additions to the reports submitted with the agenda packet. • School Board – The Mardi Gras fundraising event was successful. Expenses are still being tallied and a final report with the net profit should be available soon. The school’s open house has been scheduled for April 22nd to coincide with a special arts program. It was noted the April quad-parish council meeting is scheduled for the same date. • Social Concerns Commission – The prayer shawls were blessed and will soon be distributed. On March 3rd at St. Patrick Church, Father Guy Blair will be giving a presentation about the homeless shelter located at St. John the Evangelist Church. The commission continues to recruit for members with little success. Any individuals interested in joining the commission were encouraged to contact Kathy LaLuzerne. Also slots for the quad-parish’s meal commitment at the NEW Community Shelter remain open in upcoming months. Sister Marci should be contacted to determine the dates and any volunteers would be appreciated. • Stewardship Commission – Fifteen replies have been received in response to letters sent to all parish groups asking for information about their organizations. The Stewardship Commission requested that council members verify with groups they participate on whether responses were returned and, if not, that they facilitate a prompt reply. Follow-up reports at the three parishes that completed <i>Advancing the Mission</i> will be presented at the Masses on the weekend of April 5th-6th. The Stewardship Commission inquired about holding another Ministry Fair on the first weekend of May. Council members offered ideas to make the fair more successful. At the conclusion of this discussion, it was agreed it might be better to wait to hold the Ministry Fair until autumn, in conjunction with distribution of the Stewardship Booklet. This suggestion will be addressed further at the next Stewardship Commission meeting. 	<p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p> <p>No council action required.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worship Commission – The Worship Commission is planning for Holy Week. The Holy Thursday service will be held at St. Patrick Parish. All four parishes will have Good Friday services. The Easter Vigil will be held at St. Joseph Parish this year. 	No council action required.
NEW BUSINESS:	<p><u>Collaboration with St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish for Youth Ministry Program</u> – Father Don informed the council he was contacted by the pastor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish about the possibility of joining resources to support the Youth Ministry program. Father Don had initially made a proposal to all of the Green Bay area west side parishes about providing a joint program, but St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish is the only parish that has expressed an interest. That being said, Father Don is discussing this matter further with that pastor and outlined for the council a plan for staffing and financial support if an agreement is reached.</p>	No council action required.
		<p><u>Agenda Items for Next Meeting</u> –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add “Approval of Minutes and Agenda” to future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEXT QUAD-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: March 25, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Markon, Recorder