

**St. Edwards Pastoral Council Minutes
June 16, 2011**

X	Fr Kopacek	X	Milt Dakovich	X	Fred Freese
Ex	Regan McLaughlin	Ex	Brian Harrison	X	Jolene Kneeland
X	Jim Koch	X	Emily Nelson	X	Cristina Ortiz
X	Vicki Parsons	Ex	Jim Schaefer	Ab	Sean Schott
X	Dawn Smith	X	Marilyn Thornton	X	Mark Wall
X	Beck Hargreaves				

Call to Order

Milt Dakovich called the meeting to order. Introductions were made around the group to welcome new members Becky Hargreaves and Kathryn Pranger. The roll was taken by Gladys Oppold. The May Minutes was approved as read.

Discussion items/action/education

- **Guest Speaker: Jeff Frost** –Director of Education, CVCS.
Jeff presented a summary of his background and of the major happenings in this his first year as CVCS Director of Education. He praised the Catholicity so evident in each of the school buildings, the ranking of grades 4 and 8 about the National Grade equivalent, and the 100% graduation rate in Columbus' history. His two page listing of the many positive things happening was given to each member. Besides the construction of the new Middle School, many renovations are being done at Columbus. Among those are the tuckpointing of the building, painting of the lockers, removal of carpet on the walls, and new lights. The morale in and around CVCS, he stated is high, though we have weathered some hard times. We are not to be considered a school for the elite as 43% of our students receive free or reduced lunches. Words of thanks were expressed and applause given to Jeff for the broad range of material he presented.
- **Youth Report – Emily and Kathryn**
 - June 14-16 A mystery service trip was held.
 - The dragonboat races were cancelled.
 - Sundays at the Sonic have begun. Students could hang around that area.
 - There will be an end of the summer swimming party.
- **Pastoral Committee Liaisons:**
Milt asked members of the Council to consider being the liaison to the Stewardship Committee. This will be finalized at the next meeting.
- **Review of New Policy on Locking of the Church:** Church Building Security draft policy was revisited. After some additional questions were discussed, Father and the staff will tweak the final copy. An incident happened at the Parish Center when a stranger walked into a meeting and caused a scene. Hereafter, the Parish Center Door will be locked as soon as the meeting has starts.. Persons coming to the meeting late will have to ring the doorbell. The Buildings and Grounds Committee continue studying the feasibility of a security system.
- **Perpetual Adoration Reminder:**
Regan-June 19 and Jolene-June 26
- **Continue Review of Priest Wellness Document:** Pastoral Wellness Section-B Item 3: This section pertains to the number of weekend Masses. A packet was presented to each of the members with the collation of the Mass counts for each Sunday in 2009, 2010, and up to June of 2011. Vicki Parsons offered to do a graphing of these results to be shared at the next meeting. Continue study will be made as to the need for four

weekend Masses. Parking also has to be taken into consideration. Father mentioned that presently, if there is a funeral on Tuesday, the 7:30 a.m. Mass is cancelled. If there are ever two funerals scheduled in a day, Father gets a retired priest to cover the 7:30 a.m. Mass. Section C of this document will be discussed at the next meeting.

- **Further Discussion of Formation of a Marketing Committee:**
Members suggested names of persons who have knowledge of marketing techniques. Karol will contact and visit with those suggested.
- **Calendar:** There will be no Pastoral Council meeting on July 21st.

Election of Officers Slate – Mark Wall

Mark Wall presented the slate of officers: Milt Dakovich for Chair, Vicki Parsons for Vice Chair and Dawn Smith for Secretary. He presented the slate two additional times and asked if there were any other interested parties or nominations. Hearing none, the slate of officers was accepted.

Other Business-

- **Committee Reports**
Cristina Ortiz reminded members to bring 2 dozen cookies for the Parish Community Life Picnic set for August 20.
- **PR Related Ideas** - None
- **Upcoming Events**
A schedule of the Pastoral Council's Meetings was given each member.
- **Thank You Notes** - None

Appreciation of Outgoing Members:

Milt presented a certificate of appreciation to Jim Schaefer and Emily Nelson for their years of service on the Pastoral Council.

Pastors Comments-

1. Father will be gone for the Priests' Convocation at the Divine Word Seminary from Monday p.m. to Wednesday p.m.
2. He will be attending the Ordinations of Tony Kruse and Noah Diehm on June 25th. Noah is the grandson of Bob and Lois Oberbrockling from our parish.
3. Father will be gone July 13-17th, spending time with his family. Monsignor Wilgenbusch will cover the weekend Masses and Father Steimel will cover the 14th and 15th week day Masses.
4. This year the Mission Coop Appeal will be given by Sister Suzanne Takes, PBVM.
5. Father Hemann continues Chemo treatments and has been hospitalized several times. Please continue your prayers for him.

Closing Prayer

The meeting ended at 8:34.

Next Meeting- August 18, 2011, 7:00; Opening Prayer: Regan McLaughlin

