

St. Odilia Council Meeting Minutes

Council: *Parish Leadership Council*

October 21, 2008

Time:

8:00 – 9:30 PM

| Meeting Participants: | Present | | Present | | Present |
|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|
| Janet Bohman | Yes | Fr. Phil Rask | Yes | Colleen Vlaisavljevich | Yes |
| Jeff Hermes | No | Tom Schumacher | Yes | Mike Witham | Yes |
| Bob Hoffman | Yes | Lynne Schriver-Sheedy | Yes | | |
| Tom Kramer | Yes | Stella Sola | Yes | Guests: Fr. Gjengdahl | |
| Sherry Meyer | Yes | John Somppi | Yes | | |
| Liz Miller | Yes | Mary Jo Stewart | Yes | | |
| Mary Nussbaum | Yes | Rick Storms | Yes | | |

AGENDA/ITEMS

OWNER

I. Prayer *In gratitude for servant leadership*

Bob Hoffman

II. Minutes Approved with recommended corrections.

John S.

III. Pastor Report

Fr. Rask

Discussion:

- Three people, including Fr. Rask, attended the Stewardship Conference in Chicago in October. A very informative meeting with a focus on communicating that stewardship ought to permeate all aspects of parish life. Sessions were also offered in Spanish.
- With the assignment of bi-lingual Deacon Ramon Garcia Dellogado, the outreach to Latino ministry will continue as well as other services to the parish. Deacon Ramon will be full time, 50% of his time at St. Odilia and 50% at St. Stephen in Anoka.

IV. Administrator Report

Tom S.

Discussion:

- The Fall Festival recorded a ten year high with a net of \$61,000. A great success!
- By consensus, the PLC approved the Finance MAC's recommendation to sign papers instructing action on securities held by UBS.
- The Administrative Services MAC has received bids for lighting improvements for the south and west parking lots and for the parking area at 3510 Vivian. An additional camera will be installed to deter vandalism making a total of 10 cameras in place within and outside the facilities.
- Contributions continue to remain strong

VI. Long Range Planning Committee Update

Fr. Rask & Tom S.

Discussion:

- A letter and survey card soliciting input from all parishioners will be going out Oct 31st with responses due by Dec. 1st. There will be a separate letter to all departments, parish groups, and MAC chairs with a longer survey form to be completed and sent back by Dec. 18th.
- Demographic trends over the next five plus years provide key information on how best to serve the church that is and will be.

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- The final objective is to draft not so much a *plan* but to develop a *process* that will be used as the basis for annual planning.

VII. Columbarium

Discussion: The work of the Columbarium Committee continues to go forward. The group has developed a task sheet of several items, key of which is securing a site, an outcome of the overall plan of the Long Range Planning Committee. Until then, the process of educating the community through bulletin and newsletter articles is underway.

VIII. MAC Updates

Administrative Service: (See Administrator Report above.)

Faith Formation:

- Developing long range goals
- How to be connected with all age levels
- How to keep the age of newly confirmed to young adults involved in the parish
- Growing the Dream Team
- Developing an apprenticeship type of role by inviting youth/young adults to attend council meetings.

Finance: No report. (See Administrator Report above.)

Pastoral Care:

- Senior busing—expensive with liability issues
- Scandia Shores—asking for monthly Mass or prayer service
- Rosewood—has lay people for services but would like priest once a month
- Parish nurse—one person has been trained
- Develop a committee to address the issue of domestic violence.

School: A proposal on non-parishioner tuition was presented and will be discussed further at the November PLC meeting.

Social Justice:

- 10 people attended the “Time to Believe” program sponsored by *Isaiah* at River Center
- A gathering of all groups that fall under the umbrella of the Social Justice MAC will meet at the rectory on November 15th

Stewardship:

- Pledge Drive—a bit behind in pledges returned to date, but ahead in dollars pledged
- The Stewardship Conference provided some direction for the next couple of years
- Number section in bulletin—need someone to continue it

Worship:

- Working on an Endowment Fund grant request
- Will purchase a Spanish version Book of the Gospels
- Advent planning to include Advent Lessons and Carols
- Anticipating welcome and involvement of Deacon Ramon Garcia Dellogado

Agenda Items for 11/18/08 Meeting:

- **School proposal on tuition**
- **Use of priory building**

Respectfully submitted, Colleen Vlasisavljevich