

St. Odilia Council Meeting Minutes

Council: STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL			
Meeting Date: 04/21/09		Time: 6:50 PM	

Meeting Participants:	Present	Participants:	Present	Participants:	Present	Guests:
David Vanneste	X	Bill Rinehart	X	Fr. Rask		
Marv Tenhoff	X	Tom Kramer	X	Irma Ruano	X	
Lana Mahoney		Pat Keyes		Mike Bronk	X	
Carolyn Breitbach		John Tomczyk	X			

Agenda/Minutes	Owner
The meeting opened with a prayer.	
The Minutes of the March 24, 2009 meeting were approved with amendment.	
Tom presented the PLC Update report. Refer to the PLC Minutes for the details.	
Tom agreed to offer to the PLC that the Stewardship Council would draft a letter that could be sent to all Parish Leadership regarding the upcoming educational forum. This is a way to make it clear that attendance is expected and allows people to reserve the date (October 3) well in advance.	Tom
John reported that further work on the Ministry Booklet has been deferred until later in the year. In the meantime it is hoped that all MACs are preparing their material for inclusion. It is hoped that work will begin again in late summer with printing before the end of the year.	
The Ministry Fair is the weekend of May 2 & 3. It will be open after the 5:00pm, 7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am masses. Marv reported that he has a crew from the KCs lined up to help. All Stewardship Council members were asked to sign up for the times they can participate.	Marv ALL
David identified names of three possible new Council members that he is aware of. Bill also mentioned that he had conversations with Roger Toogood about possible candidates. David reminded the group of the details for Discernment Evening on April 28. All Council members are expected to attend.	ALL
David reiterated that while he is going off the Stewardship Council at the end of the current term, he has volunteered to coordinate the fall Educational Forum. Fr. John Estrem will be the leader/speaker. He has indicated a desire to meet with the planning subcommittee a couple weeks in advance of the Forum. The reference books will be procured over the summer and distributed to all Councils at the August meeting. Each Council will be responsible for "re-circulating" materials from terminating members.	David
Discussion ensued over filling the functional roles of the departing Council members. Decisions will be made after the new members are determined.	
The weekend after our educational forum is the date for the Archdiocesan Stewardship Forum. This year it is hosted by St John the Baptist in New Brighton. Fr John Lanzareth is the keynote speaker.	
John mentioned that the statistics of last year's pledge drive results are still not available. He will contact Colleen V.	John

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Members spoke regarding the merits of sending a letter to parishioners who did not respond to the pledge drive. Consensus was that personal contact by telephone was preferred. It is desirable to know if some of these “non-responders” are continuing to contribute even though they did not pledge. It was also suggested that the Council request receiving regular reports of contributions versus budget. No action items were determined.	
Bill reported that his mentoring program will be featured in the new Ministry Book. He is also attempting to create an expectation among new parishioners that after they’ve become acclimated to the Parish, they are expected to consider mentoring.	Bill
Meeting adjourned at 8:15p.	

	Follow up Item	Due Date	Owner
1	Tell PLC Stewardship will draft information letter for Educational Forum.		Tom
2	Work before, at & after Ministry Fair	May 2 & 3	Marv & ALL
3	Attend Discernment Evening on Tuesday	April 28	David, Bill, John & Tom
4	Educational Forum Development	August	David, John, Bill
5	Contact Colleen regarding pledge drive statistics	4/30/09	John
4	Mentoring Program Volunteer Recruitment		Bill

Other team notes:

NEXT MEETINGS: Regular meeting on May 19, 2009.