

## ***OUR MISSION:***

*To be Christ for one another, living the command of Jesus: "As I have loved you, so you should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church  
Parish Pastoral Council  
January 12, 2010 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
St. Charles Borromeo Rectory, Basement Office Area

Attendees: Fr. Hunke, Candy Higgins, Ryan Novacek, Patricia Getze, Jeff Goeser, Chris Vos, Martie Cordaro, Bill Wostoupal, Dawn Vondra, Mel Schrader, Jared Hollinger, and Connie Wishard.

Absent: Carlos Castillo

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Goeser.

Dawn Vondra led the group in prayer/reflection.

⇒ **Minutes**

The November minutes were approved.

⇒ **Religious Formation Advisory Discussion**

Religious Formation has asked Christine Hacker, Steve Schrad, Jake LaRue, Jennifer Callahan, and Lynette Oberg to be part of the advisory council. Currently, this council will work as a subcommittee of the parish council providing copies of their board minutes to the PPC for review and discussion. It was recommended by the PPC members that the council should include some members who are not already involved with Religious Formation, and that they stagger the terms of members so they would expire at different times.

⇒ **Capital Campaign Report**

Father Hunke reported that at year's end, \$1,028,000 has been pledged toward the new campaign for Phase 2 of the building project. He is optimistic that a high goal of \$1.5 million will be reached within 3 years. A follow up committee will be assigned to seek pledges from new families who register after a 6 month period of membership within the parish. The Steier group is not involved in any follow-up to the campaign.

There was some discussion on welcoming new families every 3-4 months with an invitation to a donut Sunday morning where a host family would greet them and introduce them to other members of the parish. This would possibly replace the parish dinners that have been held in the past and help establish that personal contact with new members prior to approaching them about pledging money.

⇒ **Building Status Report**

Ryan reported that the winter weather has virtually put a stop to all outside work. There is a proposal for security card access being reviewed. It was suggested that rules need to be established for use of the new facility, a calendar for use established, insurance policies be updated and reviewed for facility use, and a wish list established for items that could possibly be donated by parishioners for the new building. It was also suggested that the new building only be available for use by parishioners at first until these rules for use by outside people can be established.

⇒ **Calendar Items**

The retreat for PPC and Finance Committee members will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9-12 at Rosenblatt Stadium. Joe Higgs will help us to review the current parish mission statement and give an introduction to his work with the OTOC (Omaha Together One Community) organization which we are part of.

The annual Knights of Columbus Fish Frys will be held at Bellbrook Clubhouse on Feb. 26, March 12, and March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Father will contact the archbishop about celebrating mass for the grand opening of the new parish center at the end of June.

Jeff , Martie, Chris, and Connie's terms will expire. Dates were set to publish nominee biographies in the parish bulletin the weekend of March 17<sup>th</sup> with elections being held the weekend of April 24-25 and new officers being elected in May.

The winter "Crop to Build St. Charles" scrapbooking weekend will be held at the Gretna Outlet Mall on January 23-24<sup>th</sup>.

The PPC will review the budget before the May meeting. The Finance Committee needs to present a copy to the PPC for this purpose.

⇒ **Closing Prayer:** Dawn Vondra concluded the meeting with prayer.

⇒ **Meeting Adjournment:** Jeff Goeser adjourned the meeting.

⇒ **Next Meeting:**

- When: Tuesday, February 9, 2010
- Time: 7:00 p.m.
- Where: Parish Rectory
- Prayer/reflection volunteer: Mel Schrader