

Parish Pastoral Council of The Church of Christ the King
Minutes for February 10, 2009 Meeting

Attendees:

√ Fr. Dale Korogi		
√ Ann Grabiell	√ Don Emond	√ Chick Duffy
√ Barb Kattner	√ Ruthanne LaQua	√ Ray Quinn
√ Jeannie Weber	√ Joe Dolan	√ Paul Zdechlik

Opening Prayer: Jeannie led the opening prayer.

Carondelet Catholic School

The Parish Pastoral Council was joined by Becky Farber, Principal of Carondelet Catholic School (CCS), John Hupp, President of the School Board, and Megan Hower. John began by stating that a 5-year strategic plan is in process. It will address developing/improving the curriculum, injecting technology (there is a separate 3-year plan to bring the School into the 21st Century), and changes to the physical plant (e.g., paint, lockers).

Ms. Farber was hired on August 8, 2008, and began work on August 18. She was a teacher at CTK School 30 years ago. She left and went to Breck, where she worked for 23 years. Becky gave an overview:

- Admissions is a major concern
- The School has a new website: www.carondeletcatholicschool.com
- On January 29, Carondelet Catholic School hosted an Open House for prospective students for the 2009-10 year
- 65 students are enrolled for kindergarten next year, an 81% increase
- Uniforms were instituted last November
- Athletics are strong
- *Grease*, comprised of 90 7th – 9th graders, will be presented this spring. Performance dates are Friday, April 25, Saturday, April 26, and Sunday, April 27.
- The agenda for next year will stress reading in the classroom – 90 minutes per day – and improving technology, both for the physical plant and for teachers, who will be trained to enable them to better teach the students.
- Another initiative is to introduce the students to more multicultural diversity.

Regarding communication:

- The website is a key tool for communication
- Coordinating calendars, especially scheduling rooms, is difficult across the two campuses
- “Coffee with Becky” monthly meetings are well-received. They are a forum for parents to voice their comments and concerns.
- A possible means to improve communication with parishioners is to add inserts to *The Herald* about CCS activities.

Regarding CCS expectations from CTK:

- Continued financial support
- Feedback, both positive and negative.

Open Forum: Nothing to report except that Joe will ask Linda to correct the time in *The Herald*.

Housekeeping

1. The January 13th meeting minutes were corrected and approved.
2. Chick will email to PPC members the schedule of their assignment to Mass duty.
3. The June meeting, where new members socialize with current members, will be June 2nd at Ann's.
4. The annual retreat will be June 6th from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Discernment

The discernment process for members to replace those whose terms expire this May (Ann, Don, and Jeannie) has started. Meetings have been held and announcements have been in *The Herald*. Joe will address attendees at the February 21-22 Masses. Nomination forms will be in the pews, at Sunday Coffee/Donuts beginning February 28, and on the website. Mike Lentz will facilitate the discernment meetings on April 20 and April 27; Joe will attend the first discernment meeting to answer questions. New PPC members will attend the May meeting as observers.

Just Faith

Ann will follow up with Sr. Kerry with the hope of beginning the program this fall. Another alternative is the *Hungry for Justice* book program, which is along the lines of *Just Faith*, but is of shorter duration.

Pastor's Report

1. Fr. Dale expressed gratitude for the support during his absence.
2. Pastoral Outreach
 - Funeral for Bill Bea February 11.
 - Funeral for Ruth Farah February 13
 - School children are making Valentine's cards for 90+ year-olds
 - Fr. Dale is looking for improved space for the Youth Ministry
 - Faith Formation is expanding
 - Archbishop Flynn is having a retreat at CTK March 5
 - There will be 30 First Communicants this year
 - The stewardship campaign is experiencing slow returns this year. Budgets will be adjusted for lower contributions.

Upcoming Dates

March 10: PPC Meeting. Topics will include the Strategic Plan, the second Listening Session, and the parish budget. PPC members are asked to prepare for the Listening Session by reviewing the Gold Book and suggesting the groups to be invited.

April 14: PPC meeting to start at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Listening Session.

Summary of Action Items:

1. Joe to ask Linda to change verbiage in *The Herald* describing the start time of the Open Forum.
2. Chick to email the schedule of Mass coverage.
3. Ann to follow up with Sr. Kerry regarding *Just Faith* and investigate the *Hungry for Justice* program.
4. All – prepare for next month’s meeting, particularly the Listening Session discussion.

Closing Prayer: Jeannie led the closing prayer.

Prayers for next meeting: Jeannie, Don

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