

**St Leo's Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Minutes (Unapproved)
Wednesday November 18, 2009
6:30pm Community Center**

1.0 Meeting Called to Order: Chairperson Christine Morsfield.

2.0 Opening Prayer: Led by Father Vetter.

3.0 Roll Call: Present: Father Vetter, Christine Morsfield, Teri Black, Sue Durand, Marty Anderson, EuGene Kein, Jim Olson, Cory Bohlig, Scott Johannsen, Jean Feist, Barb Stredwick Gary Volk. Absent; Father Waltz, Father Victor, Deacon Dangel, Frank Haberlock, Pat Richter, Brian Rodgers. 11 Present. (Durand)

4.0 Approval of Minutes: Jean Feist motioned to approve minutes. Second by Teri Black. Motion carried.

5.0 Chairperson Report: Council introduced each other to attending Confirmation students. (Morsfield)

6.0 Correspondence: No Correspondence. (Durand)

7.0 Report of Committees

7.01 Confraternity: Parish Turkey Dinner served 900 people, the hours of 10:30-4:00 worked well.(Feist)

7.02 Holy Name Society: Banquet was a success. (Klein)

7.03 Knights of Columbus 9906: Return of Fellowship has raised significant amount for the Seminarians. To include in the same format as Knight of the Month and Family of the Month the KC's have started a Youth Volunteer of the Month program. This month's Youth Volunteer was Monica Olson. (Bohlig)

7.04 Pastoral Care/Liturgy: New schedule for Eucharistic Ministers is being developed. Nov. 27 at 8:30 Advent wreath will be displayed at the church. December 21 at 8:30 Christmas decorating will begin at the church (Feist)

7.05 Religious Education, 82 students had been Confirmed. (Fr. Vetter)

7.06 MCS, St. Leo's Grade School: Elementary Bulletin distributed and reviewed. (Volk)

7.07 Finance: Parishioners have responded well for the call to increase Sunday contributions. (Fr. Vetter)

7.08 Buildings and Ground: Working on Building Report for insurance purposes. (Anderson)

8.0 Old Business:

8.01 Bylaws Addendum: Handout summarized changes in Bylaws to reflect the recommendation of the Parish Pastoral Council guidelines. Motion to change Bylaws to reflect the guidelines of the Parish Pastoral Council made by Cory Bohlig, second by Marty Anderson. Motion approved.

8.02 Election Committee Summary: Handout summarized changes in the Parish Council members to reflect the recommendations of the Parish Pastoral Council guidelines. Members who's term ended in 2009/2010 will be leaving the council and remaining members will have their terms staggered from 2011-2013. Guidelines focus on the Parish Council becoming the body of the Church for ideas in which we can fulfill the needs of the Church, reaching out to more parishioners. Current Council will stay in place until May 2010. (Fr. Vetter)

9.0 Pastor's Report: Discussion on the continuation for Holy Communion being received in both forms which include the length of the flu season and the discontinuation of receiving the Precious Blood. Parish Council will continue these discussions in upcoming meetings. (Fr. Vetter) Father John Paul Gardner has resigned as Pastor at Foxholm. Father Victor will replace him. He will move there when a new priest arrives to take over his duties in Minot. Community Center still up for sale. (Fr. Vetter) The Rock at Bishop Ryan saw 275 students attend, a great success. Our Lady of Grace now has Saturday Mass at 4:00 which has had an effect on our 4:30pm Mass. Christmas and Mass scheduled will be posted in bulletin. Approx. two months ago the bank that the Parish does business with changed software which resulted in automatic withdrawals to occur twice. Bank paid overdrafts charges, corrected mistakes and made it apparent that it was not the fault of the Church. They also made a \$1000 donation to show their good faith.

10.0 New Business:

10.01 January Meetings: January 5th, 7pm all members of Parish Council, Finance Council are invited to the Rectory for a Christmas celebration. January 14th 5:30-8:30 Strategic Planning for Parishes at Our Lady of Grace Church; Cory Bohlig, Marty Anderson, Sue Durand, Brian Rodgers, Jim Olson, Belinda Vollmer to attend.

11.0 Next Meeting: To be announced.

12.0 Adjournment: Christine Morsfield.

13.0 Closing Prayer: Father Vetter.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sue Z. Durand
Secretary