

OLMC Parish Council Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2015 9:00-11:20am

We Find Christ Here. We Bring Christ to the World

Opening Prayer was given by: Rocky

Closing Prayer was given by: Brenda

Snacks were provided by: Tammy

Part I: Business items

Welcome and Introductions/ Father John David, Randy:

- Attendees: Fr. John David, Randy, James, Brenda, Tim, Ruben, Tammy, Rocky, Pete, Bill Higgins, Tina and Janet and Sister Dominic.
- Ministry Liaisons are as shown.

Ministry	Staff to meet with:	Liaison
OLMC School	Sr. Dominic	Pete
Administrative	Julie Hall, Carla Weimer, Eileen Mazary	Unassigned
Hispanic Ministry	Francisco Anleu	Marisol
Liturgy	Kelly Soprano	Ruben & Tammy
Youth Ministry	Christina Harrison	James
SMH & Facilities	John Chesney, Hart Smith	Harry
Adult Faith Formation	Janet Hassan	Randy & John
Religious Education	Christa Blomstrom	Tim
Technology	Eileen Mazary	Brenda

- Today we received reports on:
 - Technology; Eileen is working on a new web page for the parish. Improvements will include online registration and easier, drop down navigation. Deployment target is mid March. OLMC is donating old, used electronics (PCs) to Versability. The average age of the computers in use at the church is 9 – 10 years old. The Church's computer and phone network path/layout and equipment are old technology and outdated. A Council member suggested that a professional technical outside assessment be performed, preferably from a non-sales standpoint to ensure a true technical assessment. The first step is to meet with the staff and determine requirements and needs. The proposed maintenance plan for the complex, currently under review by Fr. John David must include this network infrastructure. Additionally, Council suggested that any new construction must include plans for media/computer/phone connections throughout the OLMC campus.
 - Outreach; Tina reported that PORT just concluded at OLMC. We hosted between 80 and 100 homeless each night and received comments such as best food and respectful volunteers. Thanks to all who participated. Please remember that PORT at OLMC may be over but the needs of the homeless continue. Tina also reported a grant of \$8000.00 from the Diocese and a Parish grant of \$10,000.00 to fund clothing for pregnancy outreach.
- Financial update;
 - Bill reported that Offertory is down by 6% against the budget although, it's noted that the budget has increased slightly. Additionally, overall expenses are up but 2% against the budget. The Finance Council will begin making presentations before all masses encouraging increased offertory giving. A small increase by all equals a large gift to the parish.
 - The Capital Campaign has received an anonymous donation of \$70,000 bringing our total to \$1.9M.
 - OLMC received an unexpected \$23,000 check from the Bishops Appeal. Remember, due to the Capital Campaign, OLMC was not required to participate in the Bishops Appeal last year.
 - The Finance committee will continue to focus on Legacy Giving as well as an increased emphasis on E-giving.
 - Efforts continue concerning placement of offering envelopes in the pews.

Update of Building/Maintenance Plans/Father John David, Pete:

- Maintenance Plan;
 - Pete reported that the Maintenance Committee has provided to Fr. John David, a formal report including a Five Year Maintenance Plan, all based on Holy Scriptures to address our facility issues facing the parish. The Plan covers all aspects of our campus including the Church, St. Michael Hall, School and Rectory.
 - The OLMC school gym roof is in desperate need of repair and is scheduled for repair over the Spring break.
 - Fr. John David reported that the estimated cost of bathroom remodel is \$600,000.
 - Fr. John David reported that the Capital Campaign funds will not cover the costs of repairs and updates and the parish is considering a loan to offset the costs. The Building Committee is scheduled to meet the week of February 23rd.
 - Council suggested a Town Hall meeting be scheduled on the topics of Buildings and Maintenance.
 - Council suggested the use of a bulletin board in the Commons to provide a visual representation of the scheduled start date, priority of work and progress to schedule for Campus upgrades.

Part II: Envisioning—The Role of the Parish Council

- The council discussed chapters 4, 5 & 6 of the book, ***Forming Intentional Disciples***. Chapters 7 & 8 will be discussed at the March meeting.
- The Media stand, from Lighthouse Media, previously discussed at the January meeting, will arrive this week and be available for use on the weekend of March 7th. The Media stand is expected to pay for itself from the proceeds of book and CD sales.

Other Thoughts:

- Use The Hospitality Ministry has learned that Krispy Kreme will no longer deliver doughnuts to OLMC so Kelly is investigating a switch to Dunkin Doughnuts. Council, especially Fr. John David, hopes for a quick resolution and return of this much enjoyed ministry.
- A school auction will be held March 3rd. Please see the bulletin for details and support OLMC school.
- A request was made for a regularly scheduled Healing Mass with anointing of the sick available. Please watch the bulletin for further details.

Part III: February 14, 2015 meeting

Assignments:

- Ministry reports on the Hispanic ministry by Marisol and Religious Education by Tim.
- Snacks will be provided by John
- Opening prayer will be offered by Randy
- Closing prayer will be offered by Harry

The next meeting will be March 14th in the Gathering Space at 9:00 am.