

Saint Edward Pastoral Council Minutes

August 26, 2021

Members Present: Father Walter Stumpf, Deacon Jeff Hofacker, Patrick Berg, Steve Cove, Kim Goffard, Jane Varick

Members Absent: Tim Pitsch, Allie Salm, Merle Verhagen

Meeting was started by **Prayer** led by Kim Goffard.

Terms of Council Members: The terms for Tim Lamers and Steve Cove have expired. We need at least two new members. Steve Cove recommended his wife, Tammy. Father will make calls to get two new members.

Minutes from the May Meeting were discussed and Pat Berg moved to approve minutes and Deacon Jeff moved to second them. All Approved.

Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting were discussed. They will be approved at the 2022 Annual Meeting. It was pointed out that they are on the Parish website, available to any parishioner to read. It was suggested that we provide a link to these minutes on our parish Facebook page, so parishioners know they are available. We will ask Erin to do that.

Nominations were made for Council leaders. Jane Varick nominated Kim Goffard to be chairperson. She accepted. All approved. Kim nominated Patrick Berg to be vice chairperson. He accepted. All Approved. Kim nominated Jane Varick to continue as Recording Secretary. All Approved.

Trunk or Treating: Last year we had discussed having a Halloween “Trunk and Treat” night for the youth. Last year we decided to postpone this to 2021 due to COVID. Patrick Berg and his wife, Amanda, would like to organize this for this year. He suggested it for Saturday, October 23rd. Due to increased COVID numbers, he suggested a drive-through version. It was suggested that different parish

organizations could each have their own decorated 'trunk', from which they will hand out treats, with the possibility of a prize for the best trunk. Patrick and Amanda will organize this and take care of promoting it.

Mission Planning Action- Patrick Berg gave a recap of the teams needed and went over suggested team members. It was suggested for the dates for each team to start should be six months later than originally suggested. Some new suggested names were added to last month's suggestions. They were Bill Shaloub for Marketing Team, Celia McKee and Deacon Jeff for Welcoming/ Hospitality Team, Erin Ebben for Technology Team, and Deacon Jeff for Volunteer engagement team. Father will make some calls to recruit the leaders for these teams. Patrick Berg will speak at both week-end Masses on September 11-12, to explain the goals of these teams and to recruit team members.

Complaint- Kim Goffard had a complaint from someone who wanted to remain anonymous, but she asked Kim to bring it up at our meeting. She is wondering why our school and church is no longer requiring mask wearing. She pointed out that both Xavier School System and Appleton Public Schools are requiring masks. Father Walter responded that we are going by the recommendations of the Green Bay Diocese.

Deacon's Report: Deacon Jeff reported that he can now visit at all the local senior care facilities, following whatever COVID restrictions they require. He is doing wedding prep for 2 upcoming weddings and he helped grieving families handle their grief and plan the funerals and burials. He has had two training sessions for servers. They are starting to serve again. He mentioned that the Live streaming of Sunday Masses and of Cyril Jochman's Funeral were very much appreciated at Primrose Retirement Community.

Pastor's Report Father mentioned that Erin Ebben is doing a superb job. She just did a great presentation of the Financial Reports at the Finance Committee meeting.

Father is still working on the search for a new Custodian. Breleigh Van Camp has taken on more hours and is cleaning the school daily after school hours.

The Seminarian Collection will be over at the end of August. We will be having a second collection this week-end for the Haiti Earthquake Relief.

The new Organ has been ordered. Hopefully we will have it installed before Christmas.

The Feast of Saint Edward the Confessor is on October 13th, which is on a Wednesday this year. He is hoping that both the school and the NE students can do some kind of celebration in his honor, maybe including a procession.

Kim Goffard asked if there is a way to change the lock system for the church. She suggested to change to a fob system for the door closest to the office, so that more people, who are helping out at church or are running meetings can get in.

Meeting was closed with Prayer led by Father Walter.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Varick, Recording Secretary.