

Saint Edwards Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/24/2023

Attendees: (Present Excused)

Father Robert Chinnapan , Deacon Jeff Hofacker , Kim Goffard , Tim Pitsch , Patrick Berg ,
Merl Verhagen , JoAnn Krueger , Darlene Hansen

Opening Prayer was led by Kim

There were no minutes from the previous meeting (Tim was out). As a result, no minutes were taken or needed to be approved by the council.

Action Items from Previous Meeting

NA

Lectio Divina was led by Kim.

Pastor's Report

Father Robert had a parish and school staff retreat for both St. Eds and St. Nicks. The staff went to Our Lady of Good Hope in Champion for a day. There was a speaker (Sister Pam) and mass in the morning. In the afternoon, there was breakout sessions to discuss and share best practices.

Deacon's Report

Jeff was not present so there was no update from him.

Agenda Topics:

Pictorial Directory

Progress has been made on the parish directory and discussion with two photography companies continue. Darlene will update the council via email once final pricing has been submitted. A decision can be made on who the parish will go with for photos. The final date of the photo shoot is tentatively planned for March. If the March deadline for the photo shoot is made, we could potentially have the new books by July.

175th Planning Committee

There still needs to be a planning group pulled together for the 175th and Pat is looking to the council for support. Bishop Dan will be celebrating the mass with a meal following. The council agreed that we should have a chicken dinner following the mass. There needs to be follow-up with the finance council to determine if there are any funds to support the meal. The team agreed that we should go with Romy's for the chicken and that we would ask volunteers to bring sides and desert to help keep the costs down. JoAnn agreed to be the contact for the RSVP's. Kim will contact Randy VanCamp (on the Tractor Pull committee) to see how we could leverage what they have done for chicken at the tractor pull.

Position Nominations

Per the guidelines of the dioceses, the chairs for the pastoral council are limited to a term of two consecutive years. Kim has been in the Chair role for two years and must step away from the position. Based on the current members the following changes were discussed and approved by the council members.

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Chair and Vice Chair – Patrick and Tim agreed to take the position as Co-Chairs of the Council to maintain and ensure the council continues to operate as expected.

Secretary – JoAnn has accepted the role as council secretary for the committee.

Music Ministry Changes

Mike and Lynn Collom will be leaving the parish around Christmas but will be supportive until then. The Worship committee will be responsible for replacing Mike and Lynn. It was brought up by Patrick that we should post the positions in the Compass.

New Members

The Pastoral Council is continuing to look for additional members. Council members that feel they have someone who would be a good candidate should talk to the person and let Fr. Robert know.

Parish Outreach

Darlene requested financial support for Vida. The organization is in need for miscellaneous items and financial support for a number of mothers who are almost homeless. The council agreed that we could take \$1000 from the One by One campaign related to the “Outreach” segment and should also put something in the bulletin for donations. Darlene will work with Fr. Robert to get a check issued and get something in the bulletin.

The meeting was closed by a prayer led by Father Robert

Upcoming Meetings:

Sunday September 17th, 2023 10am, Annual Parish Meeting

10/26/23 @ 6:30 p.m.

11/9/23 @ 6:00 p.m. Joint meeting with finance and pastoral council

1/25/24 @ 6:30 p.m.

3/28/24 @ 6:30 p.m.

5/23/24 @ 6:30 p.m.

Reference:

The council identified the following individuals to be liaison between the parish council and the committees:

Committee	Parish Council Liaison
Worship / Music	Father Robert, Deacon Jeff
Fish Fry	JoAnn Krueger
Harvest Moon	Patrick Berg
Home and School	Deacon Jeff
Tracker Pull	Tim Pitsch
Buildings and Grounds	Deacon Jeff
Cemetery	Deacon Jeff
Finance Council	Father Robert, Deacon Jeff
175 TH Anniversary	Darleen Hansen

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