Pastoral Council Minutes – St. Vincent de Paul November 16, 2010

Members Present: Ann Bergman, Mark Curwick, Ann Fauteck, Janice Gabrick, Ryan Kaplan, Tom McMullen, Fr. Jack Long, Fr. Chue Vang, Norm Olafson. **Meeting Facilitator:** Ann

Bergmann Recorder: Janet Ardolf

Agenda Items:

1. Council reviewed and approved minutes of 10-19-10

2. LDT Update

- Per Norm, budgets for commissions are pretty tight. Monies requested by Commissions for projects would be appropriated and realigned from other expense budgets such as Worship/Liturgy, etc.
- Commissions want to know the process for them to coordinate their budgets, get approval for funds from church expense budgets, etc. How does it work? Norm will work on.
- Nancy emailed highlights from the LDT Meeting of 11-9-10 with feedback response from some of the Commissions. All PC members have copy.

3. Discernment Night Planning – Ann Reported on Discernment

- Andrew would like the names of Commission members that could work on Discernment Night.
- Dates for Discernment Planning were finalized as follows:
 - 02-20-11 Kick Off from Pulpit
 - 02-27-11 Nominations/Sign Up Table
 - 03-06-11 Announcement
 - 03-13-11 Information Night
 - 03-15-11 Everyone invited to attend Commission Meetings
 - 03-22-11 Second Information Night
 - 04-13-11 Discernment Night

4. Commission/Pastoral Council Spirituality

- Email commissions to consider the following items and bring their thoughts and feedback to January PC meeting
 - -Start at 5:45PM for meal and prayer at 5:15PM to 5:30 PM
 - -Possible Use of the fireplace room
 - -What might be a more conducive environment?
 - -Gospel, reflections, petitions format for Jan or Feb.
 - -Should music be added?
 - -Other thoughts

5. Review of Commission Feedback

- Janice Gabrick reported on Outreach Vision statement done, trying to decide on programs and review programs as objective
- Ryan Kaplan reported on Finance & Administration
- Ann Fauteck reported on Formation & Education Group would start working on a couple of their objectives this year and implement the remaining in 2011. Commission year was from August to August
- Tom McMullen reported on Worship -
- Recommendation that announcements to come from the Pastor as they have greater impact to parish members.
- Recommendation for better outside lighting for the church to let people know we are here. The lighting needs to be a beacon for the church. Spotlights for the cross, the trees other ideas.
 - -Toddler books have been provided in the crying room.
- Other Items of concern which were tabled are as follows:
 - -Framing the year needs to be clarified for the Commissions.
 - -How do you capture feedback from Commissions? Who takes that on?
 - -Find Commonality

Ann will discuss these concerns with Nancy.

6. Pastors Report.

- Tuesday, November 23, 2010 First Reconciliation
- Dec. 5th Craft Sale (Saturday and Sunday)
- Dec. 11th Santa's Breakfast 8-11 AM (Pastoral council members should be available and wear badges)
- Greeter Program has been implemented. Janice said that they are asking and needing more volunteers. Observation that Greeters need to be at the West Door as well.
- Social Justice Group now providing curbside service

7. Closing Prayer was led by Ann Bergman

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 7:30 pm

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