

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Transfiguration of Our Lord Mission
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Fr. Jacob Straub – Administrator 859-445-2436	Deacon Mike - 859-485-1488	Terri Mounce - 502-663-1997 (07/17)
Diane Webster - 859-802-4790 (07/17)	Robin Fremin - 502-732-8677 (07/17)	Tim Hendrick - 502-396-0744 (07/17)
Don Wright - 502-514-1033 (06/18)	Jim O’Neill - 859-948-9770 (06/17)	Tom Buchanan - 502-682-6523 (06/18)
Jeff Fremin - 502-525-6882 (06/19)	Kathy Beiger - 502-525-1780 (06/19)	Jeanne Shepherd- 502-662-2661 (06/19)

Minutes
August 2, 2016

Members Present: Father Jacob, Terri Mounce, Tim Hendrick, Don Wright, Robin Fremin, Jeff Fremin, Jim O’Neill, Tom Buchanan, Jeanne Shepherd, Deacon Mike

Guest: Danielle Harsin

Opening Prayer: Father Jacob

Review/Approval of Minutes:

Deacon Mike moved to approve minutes. Jeff seconded. Minutes Approved

Old Business:

Danielle Harsin presented a recap of Vacation Bible School. Forty-two children participated and twelve youth assisted. Eighteen children and eight youth were from St. John. A light meal was served each night instead of snacks. This was very well received. Everything went well. There were no issues with difference in matters of faith. (Issues with this last year were addressed before the sessions started).

In regards to St. John hosting VBS independently next year, it was felt that issues such as number of participants, sufficient volunteers and cost would make it impractical. As long as issues on theology continue to be adequately addressed, the council consensus was to recommend continuing to host with the community churches. One item to address next year will be to increase involvement with the Hispanic community.

Air conditioning project in church has been completed. Four new outside units, two air handlers inside and two fans were installed.

The vestibule floor is nearly finished. Touch up work on walls needs completed. Clay Cable will hang the doors. The plaster, paint and carpet portion of the project is scheduled to start around November 1. It will take approximately a month to complete

Jeff reported that the bees are back. This issue will need to be addressed again in the future.

Council minutes will be posted on-line. Electronic file will be sent to Don and will be posted as a PDF. Don will post to the parish web site. Father Jacob will post to the Facebook group.

Discussion of By-laws continued. Recommended changes will be made and set out for council approval at the next meeting.

Discussion continues on committees. Most council members are directly involved with the various committees. Part of the discussion concerning the liaison status involves making sure that the committees are always represented regardless of who the council members are.

New Business:

A discussion was held on integrating the Hispanic community into the parish council. The goal is to ultimately have one fully integrated council. Father will speak with Hispanic members about attending the next council meeting to obtain their input on this process.

The Parish budget has been approved by the Finance Committee.

It was suggested that a communication about the renovations and repairs be issued in order to keep parishioners up-to-date on what is being done. It was decided that this would be a good article for the parish newsletter.

Pastors Comments

Father Jacob shared that one of his primary goals is to improve discipleship in the parish. The only way that will happen is for all of us to become “Intentional Disciples”. Every aspect of parish participation should be done with this in mind. The attitudes of parishioners should create an environment that encourages everyone to be a better disciple.

Father asked that over the next month council members reflect on the following questions:

Where is the Parish at spiritually? Where do we want it to be?

What are the good things happening at St. John's/Transfiguration?

What are things we can get better at? How do we address these?

Father stressed that while things may seem down for us right now; the Church has existed for more than 2000 years and has faced adversity over and over. We are still here.

Closing Prayer: Father Jacob

Adjournment: Tim motioned to adjourn the meeting, Jeanne seconded.

Date of next meeting will be September 6, at 6:30 pm.