

# PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

## APRIL 12, 2010

**Opening Prayer:** Dave McDonald

**Members Present:** Julia Alsobrook, Phil Baumert, Dave McDonald, Jim Thornton, Taylor Watson and Steve Wilson

**Members Absent:** Diane Dolak, Mary George, Cathy Teague, and Ann Tucker

**Guests Present:** Jim Newell, and Chuck Koesterer

**Approval of Minutes:** Phil made a motion to accept the March minutes as written, Steve seconded, and all unanimously approved.

### **Old Business:**

**1) *Discuss discernment process and schedule for new council members***

Phil reported that letters have gone out to 33 nominees inviting them to the information meeting April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The next contact is a phone call, and Phil asked if each council member would take several from the list to call to see if they are interested in proceeding with the discernment process. Dave said we are probably looking for four or five new members for the council.

**2) *Discuss H.O.P.E. gift card process***

Jim Newell reported that H.O.P.E. sales have slowed down after Easter, however, sales are up considerably for the year. There are only about 250 families using the program, so he is still welcoming all suggestions for increasing participation. Jim Thornton said he had noted several times after Mass that the gift cards weren't available, and Jim Newell said there is a shortage of volunteers which would make the program more effective.

**3) *Discuss outcome of spring cleanup day***

Phil reported it was a rainy day so not a whole lot was done outside except for some mulch was put down. The Boy Scouts will probably schedule another workday. Julia reported they cleaned the pews, but since there so few volunteers there were some projects they weren't able to accomplish.

### **New Business:**

None

### **Ministry Reports:**

- **Youth:** Taylor reported 62 are being confirmed April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Bobbi is taking five to Notre Dame in July. Summer activities will include three drive-in movies for the youth.
- **Social:** No Report

- **Groups:** Steve said Families of Faith have scheduled dinner and a movie for Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. The Knights of Columbus had three very successful fish fry's.
- **Liturgy:** Phil said Easter services were fabulous. The church looked great, and everything went well. There are DVD's available for the recent Love, Inc. concert.
- **Education:** School: Julia reported the Golf Tournament is in need of teams. The Principal reported enrollment is down about 40 at this point. The cafeteria made money for the first time this month. Three Smart Boards were received via a Smart Grant, and they are applying for another. Track season has started. Religious Education: Cecelia is very busy with First Communion.

**Fund Raising:** No report

**Comments by Chuck Koesterer:**

- Liturgies for Holy Week were very inspiring.
- The Bishop will be here for Confirmation April 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Bulletin pictures are progressing.
- Peace Day is coming up July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Closing Prayer:** Dave McDonald

The next meeting will be Monday, May 10, 2010, at 7 p.m.  
Opening and closing prayer will be by Cathy Teague.

May Agenda Items:

- Discuss discernment process

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Dorothy Haynes, Recording Secretary*