St. Leonard Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 5/2/2022

Location: Parish Office

Called to Order: 6:04 PM

Attendees: Julia Bauscher, Scott Colosi, Will Coburn, Ray Triplett, Emily Wilson, special guest

Teresa Riggs

Absent: Mike Gandolfo, Allison Gousha, Fr. Lou

Agenda:

1. Opening Prayer

- 2. Approval of minutes
- 3. Finance Update Teresa Riggs
- 4. Second Synodal Listening session discussion Fr. Lou/Council
- 5. STL Charitable Donations Update Fr. Lou
- 6. Parish Outreach Activities update
- 7. Parish Council members and terms and meetings
- 8. Other updates/business Fr. Lou/Council
- 9. Closing Prayer

The Council said the opening prayer created by the Worship Committee.

The April Parish Council minutes were approved.

Synodal Listening Session Report

The second Synodal listening session will be held after 10 AM Mass on 5/22. Will is going to take care of donuts; Julia will provide materials

YTD Budget Review

Teresa Riggs provided the budget report through 3/31/2022. Overall, we are in a positive position. The forecast is a \$30-\$50K favorable result through the end of the year. Teresa reminded the council that the security system and cafeteria lights will be improved/replaced soon. Teresa will be back in June to present the FY 2023 budget. She expects to present a breakeven budget.

Meet and Greet Parish Council Members

This activity was suggested for future consideration so that parishioners can meet and get to know who serves on the council. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

STL Donation to a Local Charitable Organization

In Fr. Lou's absence Teresa reported that our approved donations to various non-profits will be made soon.

Activities/Outreach

In her absence Allison provided the following update: The first food truck event is planned after the outdoor Mass on Pentecost, 6/5. Two trucks are planned. The Homecoming picnic will be 9/10 from 4:00-10:00 PM. Activities being considered are some sort of gambling or scrabble or corn hole tournament, a cake booth and an alumni corner.

Other potential outreach activities being discussed include frozen meal (feed 4) preparation in STL kitchen for distribution by UCHM and a holiday bazaar.

Strategic Plan

Several members expressed concern about the fact that we are not making progress on a strategic plan. One member suggested we need a staff member to attend each meeting. Julia will follow up on these issues with SFR PC chair Ed Farmer, i.e., how is there strategic planning process going and how often does a staff member attend their meetings.

Parish Council meetings

The council had previously discussed moving PC meetings to the second Tuesday of the month. Teresa advised the council that in the past parish committee chairs have attended the PC meeting. Currently there are only two – worship and finance.

Other business/discussion

Teresa Riggs agreed to share the 2019 Discernment Process and information. Julia will invite Sharon Bidwell to the next meeting to share outcomes from the formation listening session and other formation news and plans.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Julia Bauscher