

BLESSED SACRAMENT PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

7/11/2019, 6:30 PM, Office Conference Room

**Father Tim Hoag**, Father Adam Hofer, **Leonard Hansen**, Tim Callahan **Catherine Chicoine**, Cyndi Fisher, **Jane Kading**, Dave Richardson, **Jon Schaak**, **Kelly Thomas**, **Amy Thompson (Bold=present)**

**Diocesan Mission:** We, the diocese of Rapid City, through the power of the Holy Spirit, are called to attract and form intentional disciples who joyfully, boldly and lovingly proclaim and live the mission of Jesus Christ, leading to eternal life.

***Opening Prayer—Catherine***

***Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting--*** June meeting minutes were approved.

***Reports:***

- Subcommittee – Constitution changes—Not enough members present to approve (2/3 were not present). The vote will be held via email.
- Subcommittee – Facility rental structure-Goal is to have the hall available but meet the needs of the parish and parishioners first. Several other specific changes were noted (e.g. time needed to prep, use the kitchen ahead of time, membership/tithing record vs non-member, etc.)
- Update on “Live the Mission” Campaign—Our Parish met our goal. Fr. Tim and Fr. Adam have a few people they will reach out to again, but generally speaking, we are finished. The Diocese is over \$1 million short.
- Update on building committee activity—No activity to report. The drawings will likely go out again with comment boxes. The comments will guide the next drawings. On the contribution cards that were completed in pew, only 3 of approximately 350 completed cards contained negative comments about the proposed church renovations.
- Ministry reports to discuss
  - November 17<sup>th</sup> ish is the Diocesan Appeal. We are considering a Parish Pledge Appeal on October 13<sup>th</sup> ish. October 6<sup>th</sup> ish the general budget would be presented and a Finance Council member would be available to answer any specific questions. E-tithing would be encouraged. On Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> ish, a “state of the Parish” address would be presented and a social to meet the new staff.
  - Goal: 1. Transparency 2. In general, provide more information to Parish members 3. We haven’t had a Parish annual appeal. This would help with budgeting. Parish annual appeal would be a proposal for the annual giving, not an additional amount to the members’ regularly weekly giving. Suggested scale: 5% church, 4% to other charities, and 1% to Diocese

- The Council suggests putting the Parish “pledge” (vs “appeal”) the weekend before the Diocesan appeal rather than in October.
- Any response from Sunday Masses –
  - handicap accessibility – Kelly. Suggestion: With the church redesign, consider better options for people with disabilities receiving the Eucharist. We will consider possible changes that might be made in the meantime.
  - Questions about why we’re considering a renovation when we have a beautiful church already.

### ***New Business***

- Fr. Tim requested counsel on the following:
  - Sunday donuts: For a variety of reasons, we’re about \$2000 short in the budget. How can we make up the difference? Possibilities: ask advertisers first-\$550 per month. If Sponsors, there should be regulations on the signage. Other groups could be asked as well.
  - We need to consider how to bring new people into the Funeral lunch ministry. The meal itself lasts about 1.5-1.75 hours.

### ***Old Business***

**We’ll carryover:** Handicap accessibility, Sunday donuts, and Funeral lunch ministry

***Closing Prayer—Fr. Tim***