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BLESSED SACRAMENT PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

6/11/2020, 6:30 PM, via Zoom video call or in person

Father Tim Hoag, Father Adam Hofer, Leonard Hansen, Tim Callahan, Catherine Chicoine, Cyndi Fisher, Dave Richardson, Jon Schaak, Amy Thompson, David DiMaria, Trudy Oswald, Greg Forstner (*Bold, italic=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 – Leonard

Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting – May. One spelling error was noted and corrected. Minutes were approved.

Reports:

1. Pastor report-none
2. President report-none
3. Standing Committee reports
 - o Finance – 2020-2021 Budget Review (this might be lengthy)
 - A member of the finance council, gave an overview of the budget. A number of line items were reduced. Some of them were reduced due to over-budgeting programs last year. COVID-19 reduced some training opportunities. There has been a large increase in people who have signed up for on-line giving, which has helped established a baseline revenue. Many others have continued to send in contributions. PPE (payroll protection) funds created an influx for the current period. The budget will be presented to the Parish in the fall, after it is approved by the appropriate authorities. The budget was approved by the Pastoral Council.
 - o Liturgy – no liturgy report, except that Fr. Tim hopes to have no meetings in July. He doesn't have any major topics that require our guidance.
 - o Youth – Fr. Adam

Old Business

1. Parish plan
 - a. Review plan and format
 - b. Set timeline for goals and objectives to be completed-David would like to see at least a couple of action items so we can implement some goals and objectives. Some people may be hungry to come back while others may become more comfortable with the new online way of doing things.
 - c. Additions to plan
 - d. Plan execution

Ideas: Parish festival; Fr. Tim will open up RCIA to all adults for faith formation; trained teams completing a door-to-door "Catholic census."

2. Divine Renovation review (pages 165-197)
 - i. The purpose of reading the book is to provide council members with a broader perspective of the possibilities of the parish. It is meant to shape our thoughts on the Parish plan. The Parish Plan draft might serve as a good note taking tool as we read Divine Renovation. Fr. Tim essentially wants to place Christ at the center of all things.
 - b. Members should add comments to the document David sent out as we read the book. The comments will be compiled.
 - c. Takeaways/applications to parish plan
 - d. Next reading assignment—The goal: just read the book, as much of it as you can. Insert your thoughts into the document or write them, give them to Erika in the office, and she'll insert them.
3. Active Catholic requirements. At a baseline, Fr. Tim wants weekly attendance and engagement in the life of the Parish in some way. Fr. Tim wants Catholic school students to share their faith with those in our Parish. Every Parish in the diocese except Cathedral has a problem with low RCCSS engagement in the life of the Parish. The Catholic school was part of the OLPH Parish. 20-25% of our Parish budget goes toward support of RCCSS students.

New Business

1. New member recruitment—An announcement will be placed in the bulletin and might be announced after Mass. We will make the application available on-line. Leonard will reach out to Erika regarding placement on website and announcements, as well as creating a parish council email that may be forwarded to us. Applications should be turned in by August 1.
 1. Cindy will stay on. Leonard would like to step down. We are unsure about Jon, but Fr. Tim will follow up.
 2. We will have 1-2 open positions.
 3. Terms are 3 years. Members may stay on 2 consecutive terms.
2. Expanded public Mass
 1. We have increased the number of households that are able to attend Masses. The number will remain limited until we have a higher authority to endorse a higher limit. Capacity is currently limited to approximately 30%.
 2. Council role – Hospitality. Is there a way to make the ministry more appealing? Those who are participating are becoming taxed. There is a lot of information that is distributed, which is necessary but overwhelming.
 3. Mass obligations were lifted and churches were closed, which upset some. However, opening in any capacity upsets others.
3. Fr. Tim's 25th anniversary celebration-will be June 28, 5:30 in the East parking lot. No sign up for this mass. Bring your own lawn chair. Meal/reception will follow.

July meeting 7-9-20, 2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm—CANCELLED. Next meeting: August 13, 2020, 2nd Thursday, 6:30

Closing Prayer – Fr. Adam