



## ST. EDWARD'S PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 15, 2015, 8:30 PM

### PRAYER

### INTRODUCTIONS

Melissa Cavanaugh was introduced as St. Edward's Director of Communications.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE

*MaryPat Potts*

#### **The Year of Mercy Jubilee**

Council members were asked to consider how the Year of Mercy, which begins December 8, 2015, should be highlighted at St. Edward's Church. Ideas include:

- Distribution of resources
- Offering of retreats
- Distribution of "Stories of Mercy" (100 books ordered)
- Personalization of what Pope Francis is saying
- Creation of a Jubilee door
- Symbolic opening of doors on December 8, 2015
- Involving all six commissions in Year of Mercy activities

### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

*Sherrie Schroeder*

- A financial summary was shared that included current income and expenses, including costs associated with the roof and new piano.
- Safe environment requirements were shared and include background checks, VIRTUS training and Code of Conduct. Council members received information about how to update all three online. Background checks and VIRTUS will need to be renewed every three years and the Code of Conduct must be signed annually.

### 50TH ANNIVERSARY AT ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH: 2017

#### **Discussion / Ideas:**

- Capital fundraiser
- New directory
- Series of events throughout the year (polka Mass, wine & cheese gathering, roasted pork meal)
- Special liturgies
- All parish dinner
- Time capsule—begin one
- Archival display

**Action:** Form a 50th Anniversary Committee. A founding member should be identified and invited to chair the committee. Herman Viegas will serve as the PC representative.

### LEADERSHIP /COMMISSION REPORTS

#### **Social Justice & Charity**

*Bonnie Strand*

- Allocated the funds: Families Moving Forward, Loaves & Fishes, Sister Parishes, Catholic Charities lunch program, Bloomington Nursing Home Visitors.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Bob McBeath	Co-Chair
Jennifer Zupke	Co-Chair
George Heenan	Administration
Jimmy Ojo	Pastoral Care
Bonnie Strand	Social Justice & Charity
Patsy Murphy	Community Life
Eric Van Brocklin	Faith Formation
Herman Viegas	Worship
Andrew Johnson	Youth
Katie Koch / Maggie Peller	Youth

Paul Hufnagle	Trustee
Chuck Melby	Trustee

Father Brian Fier	Pastor
Sherrie Schroeder	Parish Administrator
Melissa Cavanaugh	Communications

### IN ATTENDANCE

Bob McBeath  
Jennifer Zupke  
George Heenan  
Bonnie Strand  
Eric Van Brocklin  
Herman Viegas  
Father Brian Fier  
Sherrie Schroeder  
Melissa Cavanaugh  
MaryPat Potts (Guest)

### MINUTES RECORDED BY

Melissa Cavanaugh

- Made plans for the Ministry Fair, the Dresser Building for Bridging Event, and a Social Justice Survey.

### **Administration**

*George Heenan*

- A task force has formed to develop a strategy for long term planning and long range goals. Father Brian Fier, Sherrie Schroeder, and St. Edward's Trustees are supportive of this process. The Task Force is charged with three action items:
  - To update the planning process
  - To develop a draft plan for PPC discussion and approval
  - To update the Leadership guide

### **Faith Formation**

*Eric Van Brocklin*

- Surveys will be offered in the spring to evaluate faith formation programs.

### **PC Liaisons**

- Erik Van Brocklin graciously changed commissions, from Community Life to Faith Formation.
- Two 11th grade students from Jefferson High School will share the responsibilities of serving as the youth PC liaison.
- Service of all council members, with special attention to the youth representatives, will be showcased in the bulletin and possibly other resources.

### **INSURANCE & SECURITY**

*Father Brian Fier*

- All committee and commission meetings must take place onsite.
- Onsite meetings must have a maintenance person in the building (including weekends).
- Security camera installation needed, especially in the chapel.
- The Building and Grounds Committee is meeting with security companies in order to implement improved security at St. Edward's Church.

### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER**

Catholic Social Justice & Teaching (George Heenan)

### **CLOSE OF MEETING**

Meeting ended at 9:32 PM.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, October 20, 2015, 8:30 PM