

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Monthly Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 10, 2011



- I. Call to order** – Brad Grimes called to order the regular meeting of the Monthly Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 7:04PM on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 in San Damiano Room of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church.
- II. Opening Prayer** – Carlos Flores opened the meeting with prayer.
- III. Roll Call** – Patsy Jimenez performed roll call, Fr Larry, Irene Baldaras, Gina French, Gary Hecht, and Tony Silvestro were excused. Steve Hulsey was absent. All other council members were in attendance.

2011 Attendee List		August
1	Fr. Larry	Excused
2	Fr. Vincent	Present
3	Irene Baldaras	Excused
4	Luis Feliciano	Present
5	Gena French	Excused
6	Carlo Flores	Present
7	Francisco Gomez	Present
8	Brad Grimes	Present
9	Gary Hecht	Excused
10	Steve Hulsey	Absent
11	Patsy Jimenez	Present
12	Geralyn Kaminsky	Present
13	Rachel Lam	Present
14	Ken LaPlante	Present

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15	Elizabeth McCarthy	Present
16	Maria-Fe Sala	Present
17	Karen Sarnacki	Present
18	Donna Schmittler	Present
19	Tony Silvestro	Excused
20	Brian Steele	Present

IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Carlos Flores motioned to approve July minutes with the following suggested changes made by Elizabeth McCarthy.

Item #4 – Change Name from Elizabeth to Rachel

Item #9 – Change Date August 20th and 21st to August 27th and 28th

Brad Grimes will make the changes.

The minutes were approved by all members.

V. New business – 7:14PM Brad Grimes

1. No New Business was discussed.

VI. Open items – 7:14PM Brad Grimes

1. Ground Breaking - Need a photographer, Request for all to bring a shovel to groundbreaking. Groundbreaking takes place 8:30AM Saturday - September 3, 2011
2. Bank Loan (Maria) Bank Loan is in the process of being finalized, closing date is August 31st – Diocese approved/Bank approved however still working on Final terms of loan. The loan is for 9.6 million; 9.2 million is needed, the Diocese has approved 10 million.
3. By Laws Changes (Brian) – still in process of review change of title for Stewardship, additional time is needed as no new information or updates to share.
4. Retreat Planning (Carlos) Theme “Rebuild Gods church spiritually”. The retreat will include an agenda, timeline, presentation, meditation, spirituality. Parish council will spend time discussing the spiritual needs of the church, reviewing the parishioner comments/feedback in an effort to set actionable solutions including setting timelines for implementation. Elizabeth concerned retreat may result in too many action items for Pastors, she suggested members review parishioner feedback during retreat to discern whether or not this is something that Pastors should take on or whether it can be addressed as education, handouts. Elizabeth will send unfiltered parishioners feedback to parish council members before the retreat. Geralyn added we will be inspired and will have opportunity to add our thoughts/feedback/ideas. Ken suggested council members to categorize parishioner feedback before the meeting, emphasis that discussion will take place at retreat. Brad and Elizabeth discussed past experience that preparation is needed to assist facilitation. Slides

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on stewardship will be brought in by Elizabeth. Ken gave an update on retreat Lunch - Rudy's \$9 per person, will include meat/veggies. Parish members to bring Ken \$9. Ken will provide a sign up sheet for breakfast items. Parish Council will meet at Comfort Suites – Pizza Hut Park on Saturday after 8:00AM Mass at Church. Retreat is from 9:00AM – 4:00PM.

5. Groundbreaking (Brad) – Sept 3rd is groundbreaking, request for volunteers to host dignitaries (sign-up sheet); invitations to 65 dignitaries which include mayors, bishops, priests. Volunteers will be paired with a Dignitary, must set-up an introduction with dignitary, escort dignitary, ensure the dignitaries needs are met. Geralyn suggested parish council members should wear name tags. Karen volunteered to go to Classique to purchase name tags at \$9 per person, Karen will use her old name tag for guidance on name tag design.
6. Emails - Francisco is not receiving emails - request to add to yahoo group. Brad to take action item to follow-up – sent sign-up sheet requesting parish council members to add Name and Email. Email parish council members at stfoa-pc@yahogroups.com.
7. Stewardship (Elizabeth) August Stewardship – any ministry can have a table, tables will be set up in “IKEA like” layout. August 20th - lay witness, August 28th will be stewardship.
8. Welcome Committee (Elizabeth) Fr Larry expressed the need for welcoming committee; Goal is to welcome all parishioners from all doors. Solicit all parish council members and ministries to assist in welcoming parishioners. Suggestion to create a schedule, Elizabeth took action item to create schedule. Ken suggested utilizing ministries that are already serving the mass to assist.

VII. Adjournment - 8:13PM Rachel Lam motioned to adjourn, Geralyn 2nd motion.

VIII. Closing Prayer 8:15PM - Father Vincent closed the meeting with prayer.

Minutes submitted by: Patsy Jimenez

Minutes approved by: Parish Council on Wednesday, September 14, 2011